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DUNCAN V. BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA .--- In 1875 one R. obtained a loan from the defendants. for which he pledged a number of promissory notes, amounting in all to \$12,812.12, among which was one note for \$1,000. The defendants now claim that there were two notes for \$1,000 each, in favor of one D. Other notes in favor of D. were pledged, about which there was no dispute. In order to secure the defendants on the notes in his favor, D. subsequently entered into an agreement with the defendants by which he assigned to them certain mortgages, from which the defendants, with certain amounts paid by D., realized enough to pay off the fall indebtedness and had \$1,221.30 surplus. The plaintiff claimed that defendants never had but one note for \$1,000, which was given for the accommodation of D., and that he paid the same ; or if not, the defend ants by their negligence had lost the note and enabled D. to escape payment, to the injury of the plaintiff, and that at all events the defendants were not in a position to claim payment from the plaintiffs without giving it up to him. The defendants produced no books or writings to show that any more than one \$1,000 note had been delivered to them by R. After the case was closed and counsel for the plaintiff had finished his argument, the defendant's counsel applied to have D. recalled and examined viva voce at that stage of the case, and the books of the defendants referred. Held by the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia that the defendants were liable to the plaintiff for the \$1,000, with interest at six per cent.

CREDIT FONCIER FRANCO-CANADIAN V. SCHULTZ. The bill in this case was filed to enforce by foreclosure a mortgage made by the defendant. The question was whether the interest stipulated for in the mortgage should after the time fixed for payment of the principal be payable at the rate stipulated, eight per cent., or should be reduced to the legal rate of six per cent. The mortgage was one under the Act respecting short forms of indentures and contained the usual clauses, but in addition thereto there was the following: "The said mortgagor covenants with the said company

in the case of default, at the said rate com- that the defendant was a shareholder and was pounded with rests each half year, to be paid on all and any payment in default, whether of principal or interest or both." Held by the Supreme Court of Manitoba that the mortgage showed an agreement to pay interest on principal after maturity of the mortgage and the interest agreed to be paid was interest "at the said rate," i.e., at eight per cent. Default in payment of principal was supposed to occur only after the time fixed for payment. It was therefore manifest that there was an agreement to pay interest at the stipulated rate after maturity.

loca statute, which provides that the council of any city may pass by-laws " for licensing, regulating and governing" hawkers and ped lars, a city council may, according to the Court of Appeal for Ontario, acting in good faith, validly pass a by-law to prevent hawkers and pedlars from prosecuting their trade in certain streets.

GILDERSLEEVE v. BALFOUR.-In the case of a nominal corporation which has no legal status as such, the ostensible corporators are part. ners ; and their liability as partners on the contracts of the company is a joint, and not a joint and several liability, according to our Court of Chancery. Where some, but not all, of the co-contractors are sued in an action, they are entitled of right to have all the others within the jurisdiction added as defendants, and the plea of abatement having been abolished, the method of exception is by prompt ap plication to the court.

ONTABIO INVESTMENT ASSOCIATION V. LEYS. The defendant accepted shares in the plaintiff association at the request of the president and managing director, for the purpose of attending a meeting of shareholders and forming a quorum, and gave a power of attorney to retransfer the shares after the meeting. No re-transfer was made and the plaintiff remained in ignorance of the shares standing in his name until the association became financially embarrassed, when an action was brought

REED V. WILSON .- This was a mortgage action in which a contest arose in the Master's office as to priorities under the following circumstances: One Porter, holder of a timber license and option of purchase of certain Indian lands from the Indian Department, assigned his rights thereunder to McGuire and Secord, who in 1888 executed a mortgage upon them to the plaintiff. The plaintiff registered his mortgage in the county registry office, but neither it nor the assignment from Porter to McGuire and Second was recorded in the Indian Department. The defendant Wilson had obtained a patent of the lands from the Indian Department, making title under an assignment from Porter to McGuire, and McGuire to himself, which assignments were duly recorded in the Indian Department. No actual notice of the plaintiff's mortgage was proved against Wilson, who, however, did not give value for his assignment from McGuire : Held by Chancellor Boyd, that Wilson was entitled to priority over the plaintiff's mortgage to the extent of the money he had expended in procuring the patent, for to this extent he was a bona fide purchaser for value, and the registration in the county office did not avail as notice to him of it.

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COOK V. BELSHAW .- Held by Boyd, C., that ' prior mortgage " in sec. 5 of the Mechanics' Lien Act means one existing in fact before the lien arises, though not necessarily prior in point of registration. It, however, improvements are put on the land after the mortgage, the increase of value derived therefrom is to be saved for the mechanic who improves as against the prior mortgage, by virtue of the Act. But in this case, whereunder the mortgage advances were to be made from time to time as the work progressed, and the mortgage was registered and such further advances were was registered a lien was registered : *Held* that, as the mortgage was registered, each payment attracted to itself the advantage of the Registry Act so as to gain priority over the concur-rent unregistered lien.

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MR. JOSEPH SUMNER, a boot and shoe merchant of Carleton Place, disposed of his stock to Mr. Geo. Keyes, who carries on a similar business in the same place. We believe that it is Mr. Sumner's intention to retire from business.

THE Montreal Transportation Company is having a busy time in Kingston, at present. In two days last week cargoes to the amount of 675,000 bushels of grain arrived at the company's wharf for trans-shipment to Montreal. The elevators are working night and day transferring the grain to river barges.

THE American Iron Company has rented the Clute & Jenkins iron mine adjoining the Coe Hill mine, back of Belleville. The same company is in treaty for the purchase of the Nugent iron mine, one mile and a half west of Coe Hill. Mr. Nugent was notified that his iron ore is the purest that has been sent to the World's Fair.



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THE June shipments of coal from Vancouver Island, B.C., were the largest ever known in one month, amounting to 90,495 tons.

Mr. D. REGAN has been elected president of the Agricultural Loan and Savings Company of London, vice the late Sheriff Glass. Col. Moffat was chosen vice-president.

Among the many novel exhibits at the World's Fair one from the Imperial Oil Com. pany at Petrolia deserves mention. It is a bust in white paraffin wax of the late Sir John Macdonald.

EVIDENTLY the Polson Engine Works Company are through with their operations in Owen Sound for good, says the Times. During last week they have removed six carloads of their heavy machinery to Toronto, including the immense rollers weighing 30,000 lbs., the steel shears, etc.

WE notice the sale by auction of the stock of W. S. Given, for some time general storekeeper of Paisley, to H. Harper. It was valued at \$8,527, the terms of sale being 50 cents on the dollar. The Tiverton stock of the same party was sold to Ballantine Bros., Tiverton, at 61 cents. It was valued at \$2,557.

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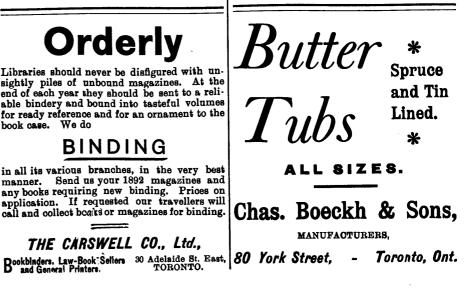
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MESSRS, HALEY & SUTTON, who formerly did business in Vancouver, B.C., have purchased the dry goods business of A. D. Rankin & Co., Brandon, Man.

ADVICES of last week from Nelson, B.C., note the incorporation of the Byron N. White Company, with a capital stock of \$500,000, organized to purchase and develop promising claims in Kootenay district. B. N. White is a Spokane capitalist, who has already some large interests in the Slocan district.

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In so far as the ring and and less expensive brands such as OIL, LEAD, PAINT finish are concerned the counterfeit is a very EL PADRE good imitation, and it will almost stand the Color & Varnish Merchants MADRE E'HIJO test of acids, but the weak point is the CABLE EXTRA KICKER MUNCO IMPORTERS OF ENGLISH and BELGIAN WINDOW GLASS weight. Plain and Ornamental Sheet, Polished, Bolled and Bough Plate, &c. THE Montreal Transportation Company has All of which self well. received their new steamer, "The Bannock-Painters' & Artists' Materials, Brushes, &c burn." She was built at Middlesboro, Eng., 519, 814, 816 St. Paul St., & 268, 266, 267 Com-missioners St., S. DAVIS & SONS, and has a carrying capacity of 2,500 tons, with a length of 254 feet. She is too long to go MONTREAL. CIGAR MANUFACTURERS, through the St. Lawrence canals, and so will MONTREAL be out in two and towed to Kingston, where Pickford she will be again put together and then may Black THE BELL TELEPHONE CO'Y go into the lake carrying trade. THE new council of the Pharmaceutical west india OF CANADA. Association of the Province of Quebec has STEAMSHIP LINES. elected the following officers : Joseph Contant, PRESIDENT president; R. W. Williams, 1st vice-president; (Carrying the Canadian Mails.) O. F. SISE, - VICE-PRESIDENT GEO. W. MOSS, -Ed. Giroux, jr., 2nd vice-president; Alex. SECRETARY-TREASURER. J. P. SOLATER, Manson, treasurer; Messrs. S. Lachance, A. - MONTREAL. E. Du Berger, R. W. Williams, W. H. Chap-HEAD OFFICE, man and J. R. Parkin were chosen the board H. C. BAKER, Manager Ontario Department, Hamilton. of major and minor examiners. This company will sell its instruments at prices ranging from \$7 to \$25 per set. 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THE general stock of W. S. Given, at Paisley, Ont., was sold at 56 per cent., and the stock at the Tiverton store at 61 per cent. The grocery stock of G. W. Prittie, Toronto, realized 68 cents in the dollar.

MR. J. MURPHY is putting up a building at South Westminster, B. C., for a salmon drying and salting factory, and expects to employ about a dozen men during the season curing salmon for exportation.

BUSINESS is evidently on the mend in Moncton, N.B. The latest addition to the business houses of the city is a branch of the Wingham, Ont., flour mills, the manager of which is M. A. Hutton. This is the second Ontario mill with a branch in Moncton.

THE Schepp Company, who do one of the largest American trades in cocoanuts, have a Canadian branch in Hamilton. There is a rumor that they are dissatisfied with their accommodations and are considering a removal to Toronto.

THE Canadian Controller of Customs has decided that brass pumps are properly dutiable at 35 per cent. as "pumps." It would appear that some collectors have been passing them as manufactures of brass dutiable at 30 per cent., but the controller intends that the tax shall be kept up to the highest possible figure.

THE wholesale millinery men of Montreal want cheap rates from all over the country to their autumn openings. They have petitioned the railway companies to that effect. No answer has as yet been received to the petition. We are informed, however, that the railroads will not give cheap rates from Kingston east to Montreal, although for Kingston west they may issue excursion tickets.

In Montreal the nailmakers of Pillow, Hersey & Co., and those of Peck & Benny, have been out on strike for the last ten or twelve days. The difficulty arose out of the fact that the usual agreement, made in June for the ensuing year, would not be entered into by the above firms; they simply wanted the scale to be in force till January 1, 1894. This did not suit the men, as it deprived them of the security that work in the winter would be given them. However, when the men saw that operatives in the rolling mills would not join them, and having learned that there was a large amount of stock on hand, they decided to return, and on the 11th about three hundred and fifty of them returned to work.

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WE learn that the firm of J. M. Burke & Co., private bankers at Kaslo, B.C., has suspended payment. This is really a branch bank of John Burke, of Tacoma, who had several branches in the States of Washington and Idaho

MINNEDOSA, Manitoba, wants a branch bank, and a number of its "business men " (a Reverend and an M.P.P. among them) went to Winnipeg some days ago to see if they could not secure the opening of one. Morden, too, seeks for a branch bank.

THERE is a general feeling that Canada's reputation in the cheese market must be maintained, and we are glad to see that the inspectors are doing their duty. Two farmers near Perth will remember that milk when delivered to the factory must neither be skimmed nor watered, since they have been fined \$20 and \$30 respectively.

AFTER being a long time in the general store business at Beeton, and having accumulated a large amount of old stock, J. C. Richardson succeeded in making a good sale, presumably for cash, a few days before the fire in Beeton a week ago. At this fire the stock in question was destroyed, and now he makes an assignment. It loes not appear as yet whether Richardson has the cash for his sale.

A FIRM in Victoria, B.C., shipped on the 5th instant, to London, the first consignment of this year's sealskins. There were about 1,000 skins. The firm of Robert Ward & Co. had received at that date from Vancouver 32 cases of sealskins. The Collector of Customs has received letters from Sitka announcing that the seized sealer "Henrietta" was awaiting owners to claim her.

WE are pleased to learn that the Canmore Coal Mining Company, which carries on operations in the Alberta district of the North-West Territories, has had successful results from their last year's business. Their output for the year 1892-93 amounts to 47,000 tons, and the company expects during 1893-94 to turn out 75,000 tons. The company has had, as it were, to "feel its way" as regards its market; and, as a consequence, the mines were worked only a portion of the year, or a sufficient length of time to produce the amount of coal actually consumed. In connection with their two mines about 300 persons are employed, all told, the pay sheet totalling \$12,000 to \$15,000 monthly.

On Tuesday last, July 11th, a through car of California fruit, comprising 607 crates apricots, 405 boxes peaches, 100 boxes pears and 50 boxes plums, was offered for sale at the Fruit Exchange, 185 McGill street, Montreal. This car is specially built and fitted for the trade, going direct from far California to Montreal.

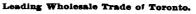
No one would have imagined from the apparent extent of his general business at Three Rivers, that Joseph Petitclerc owed \$10,000. But so it is stated. He has assigned after two years in business.--A trader of St. Helene de Bagot, J. A. Chicoine, has assigned. The liabilities are put at \$3,200, with assets apparent of \$3,400 ----- P. Bourgeois, a contracting builder at St. Martin, near Montreal, has assigned. He owes only about \$1,500.

THE St. John Globe asks, "Where is William Bradley?" referring to a retail grocer of that name, who succeeded his late father some time in June. He was seen in the shop at 10 o'clock p.m., on Friday, 23rd June, but has not been seen since. As he was known to have a considerable sum of money at that time, anxiety is felt as to his whereabouts. " Mr. Bradley was not a drinking man, he was not financially involved and his strange disappearance is a mystery."

Some time ago the Bishop Furniture Co., of Winnipeg, confessed judgment to its banker for \$8,000. It now makes assignment, but this is not the first time. Shortly after the boom in that city it assigned and creditors only realized about 6 per cent. of their claim. The stock was then sold to Mrs. Bishop, and she has since continued as above stated. A year ago she submitted a statement showing assets of \$22,000 and liabilities of \$8,500, thus showing a surplus of \$13,500.

WE notice the following business changes in Manitoba. H. F. Despars, who has carried on a hardware business in Winnipeg, sells out to E. Guilbaut.---- Wilson, Williams & Hilton, of Winnipeg, manufacturers of spices, etc., dissolve, Mr. Wilson retiring; the firm is now styled Williams & Wilson. ---Mr. Martindale retires from the wholesale grocery firm of Turner, McKeand & Co., of Winnipeg, while D. Nasmith is admitted; the name of the firm continues unchanged.----The firm of R. Logan & Co., who do a banking business in Carberry, Glenboro and McGregor, undergo alteration by the retirement of H. Crowe.

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THE affairs of the extensive furniture firm of James Hay & Co., of Woodstock, have been embarrassed for some time. The sheriff took Possession on a judgment for \$40,000 obtained by T. A. Hay, but a settlement of this matter has been made and the sheriff discharged. Now we learn from a circular that the business has been taken over by the James Hay Co., limited. What sort of settlement, if any, has been effected with general creditors we are not informed.

THREE Montreal saloon-keepers have got into financial deep water. H. Dubeau has turned over his estate to the assignee, with an indebtedness of \$3,100.--J. Gravel, who has been in rather poor credit for some time, has been asked to do likewise.----Guilbault & Laporte have assigned on demand, and owe \$2,107.---A cloth cap manufacturer in the same city has made an assignment. His failure was quite unexpected and is due to endorsations.----Pelissier & McCrudden, machinists, Montreal, are in trouble, and have been asked to assign. S. J. McCrudden, one of the partners, has assigned his half interest. but Pelissier has not yet done so.

AMONG Toronto happenings we observe that the Johnston & Johnston Co., limited, wholesale druggists, etc., have assigned to E. R. C. Clarkson after being in business a little over a year. They had a paid capital of \$12,000 and already their liabilities have reached a large sum.-A. T. Hernon, butcher, has assigned with liabilities of \$4,000. He has nominal assets of \$2,500. — The bailiff is in possession of the stores, etc., of H. M. Rannie and his stock will be sold .---- A meeting of the creditors of Wm. Coulter, coal dealer, has been held and an offer of 20 per cent., payable in six months, unsecured, made. This will be considered.——Standish & Reid, manufacturers of billiard tables, etc., have disagreed and Reid has made an assignment. Standish now applies to the courts for a dissolution and an account of the partnership. He also moves to have the assignment set aside. Their statement shows assets of \$4,000 with liabilities of only \$1,000.

A MRETING of the creditors of the Parry Sound firm, Johnston, Beveridge & Purvis, was held the other day, and now they offer 30 per cent. for their estate. —— The bailiff is in possession of the premises of J. J. Brunker, hotel keeper at Drumbo, who bought the place a

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"Inst will do.' When I went over to the other side I too learned to say, 'If you please' and 'Thank you'; but when I came back I soon had it taken out of me. They said to me, 'Now look you here, young fellow, don't you try to give us any more of your — -The banks having declined to accept the compromise of 60 per cent. offered by Irvine & Co., dealers in boots and shoes at Toronto Junction, the firm has made an assignment. G. B. Schneider has been dealing in boots and shoes at Waterloo for some years. Being rather easy-going in disposition, he has made no headway; he finds it necessary now to make an assignment.---About twelve years ago Oscar J. Mitchell was working as a carpenter in Ingersoll. Growing tired of this, he made spring mattrasses for a while, and in 1885 added furniture to his stock, soon securing a nice trade in that direction. In 1891 his trouble began when he took the risky step of opening a branch store in Woodstock, soon after which his paper went to protest. We now hear of his assignment.

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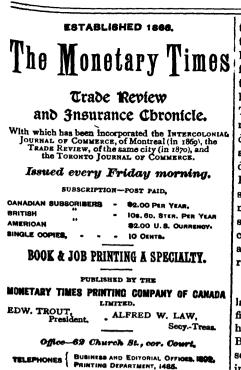
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THE SITUATION.

Instead of the restriction on the importation of Canadian cattle being removed in Britain, the exceptional conditions on which the slaughtering was permitted have been rescinded, and Canadian cattle have, in this respect, been placed on the same footing as foreign. The privilege of special supervision of the slaughtering accorded to Canada by the orders of April and June, has been withdrawn. The suspicion which the scheduling creates seriously affects the price; Canadian cattle often bring less than home fed by eighteen shillings per hundredweight. But against this disadvantage the state of the hay crop in the two countries gives Canada some compensation. Hay is being shipped to England from many points, some of them west of Toronto; and as the grower gets in some localities only about \$7 a ton, he is not at present benefiting by the high price of hay in England, about \$40 a ton. It is the surplus of last year's crop that is being supplied. Hay is a bulky article to send so far, but the ocean freight, now gone up under increased demand, is sometimes moderate enough ; it is the inland carriage that counts up. At present the business is in the experimental stage. Experience will, after a while, show what can be done. The shipment of hay, unless at prices which enable the growers to make good the loss by artificial manure, is poor policy in any case; it is much more desirable that the fodder should be used to make manure on the farm.

Neither Mr. Lowe, of the Agricultural Department at Ottawa, nor Sir Charles Tupper, in London, has been convinced by the recent alleged cases of pleuro-pneumonia in a Canadian steer exported to England, that the disease really exists in Canada. This, of course, implies that the disease detected was of another kind of pneu-Monia, or contracted ontaide of this coup-

try. What said the experts who watched the case on behalf of Canada? It has not been stated that they differed in opinion Justice Fuller, which is expected to settle from the official British expert. However the points that have been raised. that may be, there are no grounds for believing that the disease exists in Canada. The British Board of Agriculture, by its new order, evidently believes that the disease reported was pleuro-pneumonia. and so it may have been, and yet the disease may not be found in Canada. Herbert Gardiner, President of the Board, says the scheduling may not be permanent. "Permanent" it may not be, in the sense of continuing for ever; but the recent action of the Board seems to destroy all hope that any present prospect of removal exists.

Over the lobster fishery of Newfoundland, as pursued by the French, a new difficulty has occurred. It appears that four hundred cases of lobster cans, imported in British bottoms by French packers, were seized by the local government as being imported in contravention of the law. The French admiral, M. Lamoreux, made a visit to St. John's in the warship "Naiade," and in an interview with the governor and council demanded the surrender of the property, the Government refusing on the ground that the seizure was in accord. ance with the law. The admiral refused to remain to attend a state ball which was to have been given in his honor by the French consul, and steamed to St. Pierre to report to the governor. The British flagship " Cleopatra," Commodore Carson Howe, had gone to St. John to receive the "Naiade," and show her the customary courtesies. The two warships may possibly meet in St. George's Bay; but that an "outbreak" between them will occur, as the cablegram suggests, is in the last degree improbable. The difficulty arises from a local law assuming to settle one phase of an international dispute which has been referred to an international commission.

Scarcely had the law for labelling American cheese passing through Canada gone into operation, than doubt of its validity was expressed, a doubt which has since taken a more pronounced form. The desirability of distinguishing American from Canadian cheese is as strong as ever, if not more so. Of all the medals awarded to cheese at Chicago, the great majority of them has fallen to Canada. The temptation to pass American cheese off for Canadian becomes, by this fact, stronger than ever, and it will be a matter of profound regret if the distinction between these two national products cannot be maintained. It is still hoped that all cheese, other than Canadian, will be prevented from being exported under this designation.

In spite of the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States against Sunday opening, the managers of the Columbian Exhibition find excuses for opening on that day. But the Sunday attendance falls far short of expectations, and is by no means realizing the figures that were counted on. President Palmer is opposed to the Sunday ing as selling brokers of wool, grain, tallow.

exhibition, and the national commission now awaits the written opinion of Chief

After the bank failures in Australia, six of which have already resumed, now comes the failure in London of the New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co. Of the capital of the company, £4,-500,000, only £400,000 was paid up. In such cases, when the capital has been subscribed, it is the future calls that create the greatest trouble. Three-quarters of the loss, it is said, falls on people in Great Britain. Though this was a New Zealand company in name, the suggestion is thrown out that Australian speculations are at the bottom of the trouble. It remains to be seen whether the failure points to more or less rottenness in New Zealand.

Reasons not apparent at the time now make it plain why the New York banks were not eager to lend the Government a part of their gold when the Secretary of the Treasury appealed to them to do so. They have in fact been themselves subjected to a great strain. The bank statement published last Saturday shows a decrease in the surplus reserve of \$6,333,750. which is \$5,082,750 below the legal requirement. However, the crisis has been got over without any mercantile failures. Some of the National banks have bought Government securities at 109 for the purpose of basing a note issue upon them. In this way nearly \$3.000.000 may be added to the currency. Without anything approaching to a run, there have been heavy drafts on some of the New York savings banks. Every large corporation has passed through the crisis without making default in interest. The payment of the July interest naturally tended to make things easier.

Experience has not been long in making it plain that it is easier to fix the value of the silver rupee of India at 16d. than to make it pass at that rate. The Government asked for tenders for 500,000 rapees in one week, and was able to place only about one-sixth of the amount, and this was accomplished only by accepting a rate of eighth of a penny below the rate which it had itself fixed. This shows that the rupee was over-valued when the rate was fixed, and that the laying down of an arbitrary rule does not determine the market value for purposes of exchange. Something more than the price of the silver rupee was in question; there was an element of exchange in the transaction. The price of opium has been unfavorably affected, presumably to the extent of 17 per cent., by the action of the Government on the currency. The proposed change to a gold standard, in India, will not be brought about without great difficulty.

After the suspension of specie payments by a large number of Australian banks, it is not surprising that financial institutions in Australia should get into trouble. Goldsborough, Mort & Co., a mercantile and financial concern, has failed, with liabilities of £4,000,000. The company, besides acthides, etc., carried on a large banking busi ness. Of the subscribed capital of £4,500,-000, only £450,000 had been paid up. During the five years of its existence, the company paid 10 per cent. to the shareholders, ex. cept for the year ending March 31st, 1892. when the dividend was 8 per cent. The deficiency is now stated at £250,000 to £300,000. With so large an amount of uncalled capital, this resource ought to prove amply sufficient; but the directors do not desire to rely wholly upon it, preferring schemes of reconstruction, which would compel creditors to become holders of debenture stock or submit to some other alternative as little likely to be acceptable, The fact that the managers are Australians and many of the creditors Englishmen, may add to the natural difficulty of any plan of reconstruction.

THE INDIAN CURRENCY EXPERI-MENT.

A deficiency of revenue, caused by the fall of exchange and the difficulty of filling the deficit by new taxes, furnished the motive for the recent change in the currency of India. The change was hastened by the prospect of the repeal of the Sherman silver purchase law in the United States, and a consequent further decline of silver and of exchange. The stoppage of the free coinage of silver on private account is expected to contract the silver currency, and thereby enhance the price. In fixing the ratio between silver and gold at 1s. 6d. per rupee, the government rated silver beyond its bullion value, a discrepancy which would be of no account in a country where silver is merely used as change, but it is a very different thing in India, where silver is the chief currency and is payable in unlimited amounts. The stoppage of free coinage of silver on private account is relied upon to diminish the amount. But the overvaluing of the rupee, it is well understood, may have the effect of bringing back the rupees that have gone to other countries, though it is hoped that the addition to the silver currency from this ource will be only temporary. The Government has since found itself under obligation to accept the silver of the exchange banks; and if it should coin this metal on its own account, instead of doing it for the banks, where will be the difference as regards the quantity of coined silver ?

A measure which has for its object the diminution of the quantity of coined silver, is a step in the right direction, and it embodies a policy which is in direct opposition to that of the Sherman silver purchase law. Under that law, coined silver was increased largely in quantity. The fact of purchasing silver with gold was relied on to keep up the price of silver. Never did an experiment fail more completely to fulfil its purpose. The effect of the increase of the silver coinage was not taken into account; though it ought to have been foreseen that if silver was produced in excession the demand, the price must go down. The silver and the gold parted company in the open market, while maintaining a parity in the coined metals. This only showed that the

crisis when the two coined metals must and the amount of his yearly turnover. cease to hold companionship on equal They should be made at least once a season; terms had not yet come.

If the Government of India can decrease the quantity of legal tender silver coin, its object of raising the value will be attained. The fixing of the price of silver in the par of exchange at an arbitrary figure, not following a natural law, cannot certainly be relied on fully to serve the purpose intended. But it can be reinforced by a diminution of the silver coin, and the end aimed at may be attained.

BUYING IN PERSON IN CITY MAR-KETS.

In bygone days the commercial traveller has been invaluable. He is of great service still in some ways and in some places. But it is possible to have too many of him. and, as a matter of fact, there are too many of him. The sensible, qualified, experienced travelling salesman is a valuable man. But this sort of traveller, there is reason to think, is in the minority. We believe in the importance of a personal attendance npon the wholesale markets. A visit to the city, which once involved the expenditure of a considerable sum of money and the loss of many valuable days, is now, in three cases out of four, but the matter of a few dollars and the loss of but little time. And these losses are, we believe, more than made up by the advantages which they secure.

When once in the wholesale centre, the buyer has before him not one house dealing in a general way in all the goods which he desires to purchase, but a number of houses, each doing a special trade in different lines. Thus, while it may pay him to buy his staples from one house, it will, in all probability, be equally to his advantage to buy, say, house furnishings from another house. One firm may make a specialty of imported goods, another deal in those of home manufacture. Or while one house handles boots and shoes of an ordinary class, another may deal only in fine foot wear. Thus the country merchant is able to obtain at the right prices those goods which, in his judgment, will best suit the needs or tastes of his customers.

The retail dealer has, too, in visiting the markets, an opportunity of making the personal acquaintance of the wholesale merchant. The full value of this is only understood by those who, when in auxiety or difficulty, have found a powerful friend just where one was most needed among his creditors. The wholesale dealer, on his side, is glad of the chance to personally meet his customer. For he is then enabled to "size up" his man, learn the capabilities and resources of the person with whom he is dealing, and at the same time save the expenses connected with a traveller's visit.

To the above advantages we would add others, which, although derived indirectly, are none the less effective and important. The number of visits made to the market during the year must of course depend entirely upon matters of local and individual consequence, such as the merchant's dis-

if oftener than this be impossible, we would by no means advise a regulation of purchases by the number of visits. However, after an inspection of the stocks held by the various houses has been once made, the retailer can make additions to his first purchases with almost equal expediency and advantage when in the city; it will also be found that the country merchant may pick up many ideas by visiting the large retail stores and observing their window dressings, the display of goods and general store arrangement.

In discussing this system of buying, we have found objections advanced by merchants such as these : All clerks cannot be trusted in the absence of their employers; cus. tomers like to see the merchant himself in attendance upon business; the storekeeper, as a rule, has much more confidence when buying in his own shop, surrounded by his stock, than when he is in the city, surrounded by the immense stocks of the wholesale houses. These objectors may be reminded that a staff of clerks who cannot of themselves carry on a business for two or three days are scarcely worthy of employment. It is very true that customers like to see the proprietor of the store at his place of business. But they are equally well pleased to learn from the clerk, or to read in their local paper, that Mr. Smith or Mr. Brown is in Toronto, or Montreal, or Hamilton, "making a selection of the latest styles in the season's goods, and proposes by close and skilful buying to give an advantage to his customers." The last objection raised we may hope needs but little refutation. Surely our merchants have learned enough of business ways to induce them to inspect their stock, find out just what and how much they need, put it down in a book, and then in buying, guided by this book, keep well within this margin. And we are sure that the salesman, in the wholesale house, will be no more inclined to overload his customer than would the traveller, if as much. It is equally to the advantage of both parties that purchases be moderate and selected often and with care. For it is indisputable that the successful merchant owes as much to judicious buying as to skilful selling, if not more.

BRINGING TAX EVADERS TO BOOK.

The extent to which the taxation of personal estate is evaded is a well-worn theme. The different States of the American Union show no disposition to abandon the task of taxing of personalty, on account of the difficulty of the operation. On the contrary, they are making the laws for the collection of taxes on personalty more stringent, and some of them are succeeding in adding largely to the taxes from this source. Massachusetts discredits the idea that taxes on personalty cannot be collected. In that State the assessed value of personalty is nearly one-third as much as that of real estate, \$213,695,829 against \$680,279,875. And the personal property of the great manufacturing corporations, tance from the city, the nature of his trade, except machinery, is exempt. In New York,

notorious for the ease with which they could evade taxation on their personal property. But the facility with which this could be done in the past, is not likely to be continued in the future.

In New York the tax lists have just been completed, with the result that no less than \$47,576,464 has been added to the taxable personalty in one year. Personal estate now stands at \$370,936,136, and real estate at \$1,562,582,393. The increase of personalty is made under what is known as the Deyo law, passed to prevent the evasion of taxes on personalty. A common form of evasion has been to make nominal investments in forms of property not liable to taxation. The Deyo law requires the party assessed to make oath that the alleged investments are not made for the purpose of evading taxation. Mr. Jay Gould in his lifetime got off by paying taxes on \$500,000 of personalty. The estate he left is now taxed at \$10,000,000; besides, members of the family are taxed for other considerable amounts. The total increase in this form of tax is largely due to the assessment of other large estates. The Gould assessment of ten millions is the figure put by the assessors, all attempts at reduction having failed.

The application of the Deyo law, and the success attending it, go far to prove that the means of checking a common fraud in the evasion of taxes had not been exhausted. The increase of over forty-seven millions of assessed personal property in a single State in a single year is a startling fact which can neither be ignored nor explained away.

TRADE WITH SOUTH AFRICA.

Supplementing what was stated last week by Mr. Dobell before the Quebec Board of Trade on the subject of trade with South Africa, we have further information from Mr. Joseph, of Port Elizabeth, Cape Colony. This gentleman tells us that in addition to the leather, lumber, flour, cheese, oatmeal and canced meats mentioned by Mr. Dobell as sure of a market in the Colony, the article of Canadian house furniture-for which Mr. Joseph expresses admiration-would find ready sale at the Cape. He strongly advises that some cargoes of Canadian products shall be sent per sailing vessel.

A glance at what Canada has sold to or bought from the British possessions in South Africa may be of service. In 1892, we imported thence \$69,581 worth of merchandise, almost entirely Cape wool. Small as this sum appears to be, it is in excess of our exports, which amounted to only about \$22,000 in value, as follows: Agricultural implements, \$10,655; doors, sashes and blinds, \$4,132; musical instruments (mainly organs), \$5,025, and a few se wing machines and books. Cape Colony has a population of a million and a-half. Natal, over half a million. Capetown has 75,000 people, and Port Elizabeth about 20,000. The chief crops grown in the colony are, wheat, oats, maize, rye and barley. In 1889, about 5,646,426 gallons of wine, and 1,211,677 of brandy and spirits, were

men like the late Jay Gould have been | made. In the same year among the figures | as far north as within three miles of of productions were 1,681,175 lbs. of dried fruit, 5,943,331 lbs. of tobacco, and 13,085,-042 oranges. Stock raising, however, is the chief occupation in the country; this includes cattle, sheep, goats, horses, mules and ostriches. The sheep farms are on a very large scale, extending in some instances to 15,000 acres. The yearly output of diamonds is very large, and in 1888 their export value amounted to £4,022,379 sterling.

What Canadian producers and merchants can do in the South African trade remains to be seen. Customs duties are levied at the Cape on a large proportion of imports, amounting to nearly one-fifth of the total value. The banking system of the colouy is descriled as a very good one. All of the coins in circulation are British, and thus accounts are kept in pounds, shillings and nence.

CANADIAN WINES.

While our dairy and other products shown at the World's Fair, in which all Canadians know that we excel, are commanding attention and admiration because of their excellence, another modest exhibit, representing an industry of the nature and extent of which few Canadians know any thing, is attracting much attention from American and foreign visitors. This is the exhibit of Canadian wines. Germany is a prominent exhibitor of Rhine and other wines, and great pains and expense have been lavished to embellish her display by cycloramic paintings of the wine country, by beautiful pavilions and the like. Then all the great wine makers of the United States are represented in the fair, especially those of California. But in the midst of all these the collection of Canadian wines from Pelee Island, from Grimsby, from Essex county main land, from Nova Scotia, well placed as it is, close to the west entrance and near the ascent to the gallery, has obtained both prominence and praise from persons able to judge. The Pelee Island Wine Company and J. S. Hamilton & Co., of Brantford, have a fine display of their varied brands. The Niagara Falls Wine Company show wines made from Concord, Niagara and Catawba grapes. Girardot & Co., of Sandwich, exhibit claret, sauterne and sweet Burgundy; W. D. Kitchen, of Grimsby, and M. Montreuil of Walkerville, also show grape wines, while from Halifax comes rhubarb wine made by Mr. Poupel. These could easily have been added to, but enough is on exhibition to demonstrate the stage reached by the industry. Canadians are making good wine, and her own people as well as foreigners are finding it out.

We are told, and from what we have seen we can quite believe it true, that within two miles of Detroit river there is over 1,000 acres in vines, producing over 400,000 gallons of wine. In Pelee Island and in several of the counties on Lake Erie are vines, and the Niagara district produces every season in round numbers 1,000,000 gallons of the pure juice of the grape, which is made into claret.

Again, Judge Mosgrave, we are told, has a ten-acre vineyard in Eastern Ontario, the changes in the commercial policy of the

Ottawa city, and is making wine successfully. It has been estimated by experts that there are 30,000 square miles suitable for grape growing in Ontario. The capacity of France is 5,000,000 acres; the capacity of Ontario is said to be 15,000,000 acres. There is clearly a promising future for the industry.

MARITIME COMMERCE.

NOVA SCOTIA, No. 4.

One very elaborate account of provincial trade appears in Montgomery Martin's larger work entitled "British American Colonies." According to this author, in 1827 there were 274.501 acres of land cultivated in Nova Scotia, and 161,416 bushels wheat was raised in the province. Of other grain 799,665 bushels; of potatoes, 2,434,-766 bushels; of hay, 150,976 tons; of horses, 13,232; of horned cattle, 100,739; of sheep, 152,979, and of swine, 75,772.

The agricultural products, he says, increased very much since 1827, but in 1845 the potato disease appeared, and destroyed nearly all the crop. In 1847 an enormous loss arose from the potato rot. In addition to these calamities the weevil or fly destroyed in 1845-7 a large proportion of the wheat crop. There has consequently been. he adds, some agricultural and general distress in the province which has been borne with great fortitude, and in the midst of their privations the people subscribed £1.000 sterling to aid their fellow sufferers in Ireland and Scotland.

In the early days a portion of the expenses for conducting the affairs of the province was paid by Great Britain. The amounts borne respectively were : by Great Britain £34,815, and by the colony £87,-406; total to meet expenses of government, £122,221. The public debt of the province in 1847 was £77,750, of which sum about £50,000 was in circulation as paper money under the guarantee of the Provincial Government

"The geographical position of Nova Scotia, its fine harbors and the maritime character of its people, to whom the sea is a familiar subject from childhood," says Martin, destine it for great prominence in the commercial world. Writing of the versatility of the people he says : "The farmers' sons in the midland counties where ship building is also carried on, become shipwrights, mariners, masters of coasters and plantermen, just as the prospect or advantage is presented, or accident may give bias to the mind."

The trade between Nova Scotia and Great Britain, says this author, has for some years been almost stationary, especially as regards imports from the parent state. The exports from the province increased largely between 1827 and 1847, especially as regards the West Indies and North America. The total value of the exports was nearly quadrupled in twenty years, and the shipping employed was increased in the same proportion.

Martin, writing of the trade of Nova Scotia, says, "Prior to 1824 the foreign trade of the province was very limited, but Empire, suggested and carried through by | lar in France, until recently nearly all of Mr. Huskisson, opened a highway for the machines used were those made in colonial enterprise, of which the North Americans were not slow to avail themselves. This author tells us that the quantity of coal raised in the province in 1827 was only 11,491 tons. Ten years later, the quantity was 109,347 tons. In 1847 it rose to 183,099 tons, and in 1857 to 267,808 tons. Under the Reciprocity Treaty with the United States, of 1854, the trade continued to be greatly benefited, culminating in 1865 in the production of 635,586 tons of coal, when it received a check, because a duty of five shillings per ton was placed on it." In the earlier part of the century the manufactures of Nova Scotia were as yet of an extremely simple and unpretending character. "Coarse cloth, or homespun, woven by the wives and daughters of the peasantry, are made in all the settlements and are generally woven by that class, the more affluent dressing in English broadcloth only on the Sabbath. Some of these homemade fabrics are of handsome pattern. Falling mills exist in the old townships, in which the cloth is thickened and dyed. Where these are too distant, the dyeing is a simple household process. Sheep are kept on every farm and supply the raw material. Coarse flannel for under garments, bed linen, woolen blankets and carpets are also made. Flax grows luxuriantly, but handspun and woven are not considered profitable, the British article finding its way into the province at prices as low. Power looms are unknown here. Tanning, to the extent of preserving all the hides grown in the country, and those occasionally brought from South America, is also practised. Some leather is also brought in 'from Canada.'"

According to "Eighty Years, etc.," the total value of live stock and agricultural products exported in the year 1860 was \$786,526; of timber, \$767,136; products of mines and quarries, \$658,257; manufactures, \$69,978; vessels, \$168,270; miscellaneous, \$151,132; merchandise, etc., imported from other countries and re exported, \$1,019,788, making the total exports for 1860 up to \$6,787,804. The chief ex. ports to Great Britain consisted of ships built in the province and timber. The West Indies was found the principal market for fish. The United States consumed large quantities of provincial fish, also large quantities of provincial coal and potatoes, and imported grindstones, gypsum and freestone. The province imported, as it does yet largely, of textile manufactures, also hardware, cutlery, pottery, chinaware, breadstuffs, sugar, tea, woodware, etc., which were largely imported from the United States. The value of the imports to the port of Halifax alone from the United States in the year 1861 was £1,-736.879.

THE RIGHT TO STEAL.

A manufacturer of bicycles, M. Clement, has obtained considerable distinction as being the first French manufacturer to turn out a machine that could successfully compete with those of English and German make. For, although cycling is very popu-

foreign factories. And even now but few of the French workmen are skilled in the manufacture and putting together of these machines; these few, if dishonest as well as ingenious, have it in their power to put their employers at a disadvantage. The way in which these workmen exercised, or rather abused, their advantages in a recent and peculiar labor trouble at the Clement factory, has been well described in the last number of the Hardware Trade Journal of Birmingham.

It would appear that for some considerable time the overseers of the factory had noted the daily disappearance of pieces of the machines. Although a vigilant watch was kept, the thieves remained undetected. At last the matter was placed in the hands of the police, and as a result nineteen of the workmen were arrested, and proof obtained that they had been carrying away machines bit by bit, setting them up, and placing them at a reduced price upon the market. As he was in the midst of the busy season, M. Clement withdrew the charge from five of the least guilty, but determined to take severe measures against the other fourteen. However, upon the first pay day, he was informed by a deputation, acting for some 400 workmen, that they had decided to quit work in a body unless their remaining comrades were released. This request the employer refused to grant, but offered as a compromise the promise to provide, in the meantime, for the families of the accused. and after the offenders had been released by course of law to take them all back into his employ. This was not considered sufficient by the men, and on the 11th of May they struck and refused to work. An increased number of orders was daily coming into the factory, and, after M. Clement had in vain tried to secure other employees, he was at last compelled to make a complete surrender. The charge against the men was withdrawn and they were takenback again into the factory.

The conditions of this strike are peculiar even in the annals of modern labor difficulties. It has been characterized by some as a practical execution of the anarchist doctrine, "What is thine is mine.' But in whatever light the matter may be viewed, we can but believe that M. Clement has set a dangerous example, and as the Journal well says : " The right of the workmen to theft, or to perquisites, seems to have been established, and, no doubt, advantage will be taken of this victory, not only in the bicycle manufactories, but in all other industries in France."

M. Clement takes the matter very easily, however, and to those who accuse him of weakness in thus dealing with men of proved dishonesty, says he "knows best what is to the interest of his business." He expresses the view that the days which the culprits have spent in gaol, and their knowledge that they are henceforth watched and will be severely punished for any repetition of the thefts, will suffice to prevent their stealing again. His example presented, concerning the relation of occupais a bad one, nevertheless; he does not seem

to have considered how he may have weakened instead of strengthened the hands of other employers, who pay their men well and treat them well, and are entitled in return to honest service.

OCCUPATIONS AND HEALTH.

The influence of occupation on health has long been a subject of interested observation. But the results of observations of this kind in different countries have not always agreed, probably for the reason that they were made under different conditions. Climate, for example, will make an out-door occupation more deadly in one country than in another. And working indoors at certain trades may be pursued without serious menace to health in properly ventilated, premises, where without such ventilation the work may prove very injurious.

Such investigations, and the tabulation of their results, are of much importance to life assurance societies, and great pains are taken by actuaries and medical officers of such bodies to obtain accurate information. Some anomalies present themselves occasionally, which tend to make one doubt the record. For example, shoemaking is considered among us to be a confining and unhealthy employment, while carpentry is regarded as an exceptionally healthful one. Yet, according to statistics, the difference in mortality between these two trades is but trifling. The butcher again is shorter lived than his appearance would lead one to expect, whether on this side of the Atlantic or the other.

It is interesting to trace for a series of years the effect of occupation on a large number of people in a great variety of employments. Many of the large life companies do preserve careful records of their mortality experience. Their actuaries are constantly endeavoring to enlarge their horizon by exchanging comparisons with other companies, taking heed of such points as the age at which mortality is greatest, the proportion of male deaths to female, the effect of occupation on different generations in the same trade.

The official figures of the United Kingdom show that between three and four millions of females, young and old, are classed as having a definite occupation :--1,258,000 are engaged at domestic service : 600,000 each at dressmaking and the manufacture of textile fabrics; 288,000 at laundrying; 125,000 nursing; 33,000 lodging house keeping. And besides these occupations, there are many others at which the women employed outnumber the men, for example, bookbinding, confectionery making, lace making, straw plaiting, glove making, woolen and worsted manufacture. And indeed there has been for twenty years a tendency to increase the number of females employed in various branches of the cotton industry.

Mr. Charles Stevenson, a well known actuary of Edinburgh, has contributed to the " expectation of life " tables the most recent information on this subject, in the shape of a little paper on "The Effect of Employment on Life and Health," in which many curious facts are tions to mortality rates.

THE MONETARY TIMES.

The largest mortality rate in the indoor occupations considered is found among liquorsellers, a fact which explains the reluctance of life insurance companies to write insurance on that class of risks. Mr. Stevenson finds the average mortality among 1,000 liquorsellers to be 29.2, increasing from 12.2 between the ages of twenty and twenty-nine to 102.8 from age seventy upward. He divides the liquor-sellers into three classes-licensed grocers, hotelkeepers, and barkeepers-and shows the respective mortality rates to be, from 25 years of age upward, 18.9, 26.8, and 33.4, respectively, which shows that the life risk of the average barkeeper is an extremely hazardous quantity.

Among 1,000 gardeners the death rate is found to be 10.6; carpenters, 12.4; shoemakers, 13.4; stonemasons, 16.8; butchers, 17.8; and innkeepers, 21.4. This agrees precisely with the information collected by American life insurance companies, which shows the butcher to be a hazardous risk.

TORONTO TRADE FIGURES.

We have received the monthly bulletin of the Toronto Board of Trade, showing the value of imports and exports for June. The figures of last month were: Imports, \$1,741,771; exports, \$216,485; aggregate, **\$1,958,256**. The figures for June, 1892, were: Imports. \$1,623,251, and exports, \$335,000 ; aggregate, \$1,958,251. The principal items are shown in the comparative table below which we compile as usual. It will be seen that dry goods imports of all descriptions are larger than in the corresponding month last year, so were those of metal goods, leather and paper. A marked falling off is noticeable in our purchases of glass and glassware, china and earthenware.

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Cotton, mfrs of Fancy goods Hats and bonnets	ne, 1893. 8 87,496 30,887 12,065	June, 1892. \$59,814 23,962 6,174
Silk and mfrs of Woollen, mfrs of	40,459 243,241	37,625 209, 4 17
Total dry goods	414,148	\$336,992
Brass and mfrs. of Copper " Iron and steel " Lead and mfrs. of Metal and comp	9,585 5,923 153,034 3,608 10,094	14,175 3,500 133,339 10,101 10,216
Total metal goods	\$ 182,244	\$171,331
Books and pamphlets Coal, bituminous Orugs and medicines Fruit, green and dried Glass and glassware Jewellery and watches Leather and mfrs. of Musical instruments Paints and colors Paper and mfrs. of Spirits and wines Wood goods	26,904 .224,484 16,490 25,604 25,916 25,916 16,007 22,385 10,717 13,289 37,535 13,619	$\begin{array}{r} 34,666\\ 41,781\\ 210,413\\ 19,152\\ 30,939\\ 23,937\\ 48,958\\ 11,995\\ 18,493\\ 12,919\\ 15,090\\ 32,513\\ 10,192\\ 18,565\end{array}$

Field and forest contribute but little to our June exports from this port. For a long while we have not had so little to announce in any one month. It is too soon for fruit, and too soon for new grain. But few horses and absolutely no wool were exported last month at Toronto. Meats kept up ipretty well. Among manufactures "other articles" are still the big item.

EXPORTS, PRODUCTS OF CANADA.

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Produce of. The Mine	June, 1893. \$ 39	June, 1892. \$ 165
" Fisheries		368
" Forest		50,702
" Field		20,280
Animals, etc	78,520	98,738
Manufactures	87,577	150,778
Total	\$198,508	\$321,020
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MONTREAL HARBOR FIGURES.

We have had sent us the statement issued by the Harbor Commissioners of Montreal, showing the revenue of the harbor and the arrival of vessels during the present season up to 1st July. The number of arrivals from sea and the aggregate tonnage continue to show an increase compared with previous year. For instance, the vessels, steam and sail, up to 1st inst., numbered 208 in 1891, 243 in 1892, and 252 in the present year. The total tonnage was 283,178 tons, 343,340 tons and 350,566 tons in the three years respectively. Subdivided into steam and sail craft, we perceive that the steamers arriving continue to grow in number and the sailers to decrease.

OPENING OF NAVIGATION TO 1ST JULY.

89 0	. 185	Tonnage. 284,188 271,336	21 23	Tonnage. 4,411 11,842
l892	. 221	334,703	22	8,637
L893	. 227	343,942	25	6,614

The revenue of the port from Customs dues during June has been \$38,000, and from local traffic, \$4,583, in all \$42,583; where in the same month of 1892 it was \$38,097, consisting of \$34,500 from Customs dues and \$3,597 from local. The total receipts for this season to date amount to \$74,364, whereas it was only \$70,413.

The arrivals of inland vessels show an increase over last year, being 1,712 as compared with 1,646; but the latter was in its turn a decline from the 1,757 of 1891, while the number in 1890 had been only 1,637. The depth of water in what is known as the twenty-seven and a half feet channel below the city on 1st of July of successive years has been 33 ft. 7 in. in 1890; 29 ft. 8 in. in 1891; 32 ft. 8 in. in 1392; and 31 ft. 9 in. on 1st inst. As to the suggestion made of lower wharfage rates on hay, the board decided that for financial and other reasons they could not reduce the charges on hay.

SHOP-LIFTING.

Several cases of shop-lifting are reported from Owen Sound. In some of the cases, it appears, the thieves were discovered, but the merchants have refrained from prosecution. Leniency to shop-lifters, although ill-deserved, is far too common. A man or woman who may have respectable connections, or who may themselves be by no means low down in the social scale, should no more have a right to steal with impunity than the veriest thief who lives by ill-gotten gains. In both cases there is a lack of moral perception. We are told that the articles stolen in Owen Sound have been for the most part of trifling value, consisting, for example, of neckties, ribbons, caps, etc. The principle, however, remains the same. The interest not only of society, but more especially of the trade, demands prosecution and punishment to the full extent allowed by the law. Shop-lifting is by far too common in our [cities ; although a most vigilant, and, at the same time, expensive watch is kept, merchants report frequent and sometimes severe losses from this cause.

CO-OPERATIVE CONGRESS.

From the report of the Co-operative Storekeepers' Congress recently held in Bristol, England, we gather the following statistics : The co-operative societies of Great Britain have a membership of 1,750,000, representing a sixth of the population of that country. They own £12,000,000 in stock, and in business have an annual turn-over of something like £50,000,000. And they claim to be putting between £4,000,000 and £5,000,000 of profits every year into the pockets of their members. Wholesale business is now becoming quite a feature of the system, and last year, it is said, business was done, in a wholesale way, to the amount of £13,000,000 in value.

A paper was read at the Congress by Mr. Tutt, of Plymouth, in which the author discussed the position which co-operators ought to take with regard to the social and industrial problem of the present time. He asked what position co-operators should take with regard to communism, collectivism, and socialism. "The realization of the communistic ideal seemed to be immeasurably distant if not impossible; collectivism and socialism were very much akip. In the abstract the aims of cooperators and socialists were alike, but as soon as co-operators and socialists set out on the journey they must make to reach their goal, it became apparent that there were different roads for reaching the same place, and the paths taken by co-operators and socialists began to diverge. Experience had taught them it was by self-help and self-culture advance was to be made. The position co-operators should take with regard to trade-unionism should be one of close relationship. The feeling of mistrust was passing away, and a better understanding was growing between the two bodies. (Hear, hear.) Trade-unionists would do well to reciprocate the action and spirit of co-operators by identifying themselves with co-operative societies. With regard to the provision for infirm workers co-operators as employers of labor should assume some responsibilities for the lives of their employes, and set an example to other employers as to what the true relation between master and servant should be."

On motion of Mr. R. Powell (Rochester), Mr. Tutt's paper was referred to the Sectional and District Associations to be discussed, then report to the united board the decisions arrived at, and the united board was requested to report at new Congress as to some scheme for superannuation for co-operative employes and representation on local public bodies. He said, "the questions brought forward in the paper were too complex to be settled in a few hours."

A PROSPECT.

Here is a scheme, outlined by the Montreal Witness, in which the C. P. R. and the city of Quebec are the interested parties: "(1.) The purchase of all the property overlooking the Terrace, and surrounding the present Champlain Market Hall, on the condition that the city shall give the latter to the company to be converted into a passenger station, the present Palais station to be only used thereafter for freight. (2.) The construction of an immense jetty or dock from the Champlain market toward Sillery for large steamships; and, (3) the construction of a branch of the railway from above Lorette to Cap Rouge and along the river front, to enable passenger trains to run directly to the principal station to be erected on the present Champlain market."

The scheme thus foreshadows the establishment of a long talked of fast line of steamers, with Quebec as its terminus.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

The shareholders of this extensive insurance office can well afford to congratulate themselves upon the position the company has at tained. To secure a fire premium income of over two million pounds sterling in a single year, is something that has not yet, so far as we know, been accomplished by any other office in the world. But this is what the Royal has done, and its experience has been satisfactory upon the whole, notwithstanding the many heavy fires that have occurred all over the world, notably the great conflagration in St. John's, Newfoundland. Had it not been for the latter fire, this company, like many others, would have shown splendid profits. However, as to the question of profit, the shareholders are not likely to complain. During the past twenty years the dividends of the Royal have grown greatly. For example, from eight shillings per share in 1872, to thirty-five shillings on shares (£2 paid) in 1892. While this increase has been made in the annual dividend of the company, it is evident that all the profits of those years did not go into the shareholders' pockets. The period under review shows that the fire funds have increased from £426,. 000 to nearly £3,000,000, as stated by the chairman. Behind this accumulation of funds is a conservative management. Not only is the value of company's buildings written down, but its securities stand on the balance sheet much below their market value. Their real value was stated to be £513.000 in excess of what their face value appeared.

To deal directly with the figures used in the company's statement is somewhat bewildering, for their extent renders them difficult to grasp. The average reader is startled to read of almost ten millions of dollars (\$9,900,960) taken in fire premiums in a single year, and losses of \$1,387,182, with a security to policy-holders of \$15,415,350. The figures give, however, some idea of the extent of the company. The London Review, in winding up a reference to the company, says, " In its volume of revenue. its prudence of management, its all-round-theworld reputation, its security to policyholders and its profit to the shareholders, the Royal occupies a position which possibly may be equalled, but certainly can never be excelled."

THE TELEGRAPH IN CANADA.

XXXVII.

Among those who are good enough to express interest in this series of papers is a Nova Scotia correspondent, "Blue Nose," who writes some weeks ago from Truro suggesting that more attention should be given the Maritime Provinces, and their share in the development of "The Telegraph in Canada." Tt seems that he must have missed some of our papers on the subject. Besides No. 16, from which he quotes, there are references to the Lower Provinces in No. 13, of August 5th; No. 17, of September 2nd; No. 20, of November 4th: No. 21, of November 18th. How ever, it is quite true that we have not till now been able to secure any personal reminiscences from Maritime Province people, of the kind that many of our readers have found so interesting when narrated by actors west of the River St. John. In another issue we shall print what an "old timer" says about mat. ters and things which he saw, or heard, or experienced down east.

The American Telegraph Company, which came into existence in 1855, and with which Cyrus W. Field and Peter Cooper were connected, became in its day quite a powerful organization, though the original capital did not exceed \$250,000. Field and some others had become impressed a year or two before with the idea of a telegraph cable across the Atlantic, brought to their attention by the late Frederick H. Gisborne. This gentleman, one of the earliest telegraphers in Canada, was Government Superintendent of Telegraphs at Halifax about 1850, and had laid the first cable on this side the ocean, namely, that between Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick. He was strong in his belief of the practicability of an ocean telegraph; so strong indeed that he gave up his colonial government situation and went to New York to raise capital for the construction of a cable line from Cape Breton to Newfoundland and a land line across the forests and wastes of that huge island, which he had planned in anticipation of the ocean cable. A company was formed and a charter was obtained from the island government for the Newfoundland Electric Telegraph Company, and Mr. Gisborne went to work. But the New York stockholders disagreed, stopped payment, and Gisborne was left in the lurch, with a line partly built and many workmen unpaid. The men were meanwhile honorably paid by the Government, who relied on the projector's future success, and were reimbursed later on. It was after this that Gisborne met Cyrus Field, who "enthused," as the Americans say, over the notion of a cable across the Atlantic. Mr. Field imparted his views and some of his enthusiasm to other New Yorkers, and in 1854 there was organised the New York, Newfoundland & London Electric Telegraph Company, with a capital of \$1,500,000, to buy the charter Gisborne had obtained and to span the Atlantic. According to the Montreal Gazette, Peter Cooper, Moses Taylor, Chandler White, Marshall O. Roberts, Cyrus W. Field, and Frederick Newton Gisborne were the first stockholders of this company. Enlarged franchises and liberal grants were obtained from the Newfoundland Legislature.

How the cable made in England to connect Nova Scotia and Newfoundland was broken when attempted to be laid from a brig in a storm-how it was successfully laid next year (1856) from a steamer-how the first Atlantic cable carried by the "Niagara" and "Agamemnon" transmitted a few messages in 1857 and then suddenly ceased to work-how some eight years afterward an unsucessful attempt was made with the "Great Eastern"-and how in 1866 the second trial was a triumph, does not need to be narrated in full here. But it may be noticed that since August of the year last named America and Europe have never been without telegraphic communication with each other.

To revert to the American Telegraph Company; it was steadily enlarging the sphere of its lines by purchase or construction, anticipating a grand harvest whenever the ocean telegraph became a fact. And by 1858 or 1859 it had really got control of lines all along the Atlantic coast of the United States, for it bought out the New York and New England company of F. O. J. Smith, also the Northern, as well as the Vermont and Boston. The company, which as reorganized in 1859 had a capital of \$1,700,000, bought the proprietary rights of the Morse and Vail patents. Then it arranged for a lease of the Nova Scotia Company's lines, and also those of the New Brunswick Telegraph Company betwwn Sackville. N.B., and Calais in the Stand Maine. We

notice here in passing an interesting narration by J. D. Reid in the "Story of the Telegraph," of how during the American Civil War the wires of the American company south of Mason and Dixon's line were taken possession of by the Southern stockholders and organized into the "Confederate Telegraph Company." Some of the old employes stuck to the lines, however, with great pluck and patience; " the property was thus held together, and was faithfully returned when peace came to the nation." When with this company was amalgamated the Southwestern Telegraph Company, whose lines extended from Kentucky to Texas, its president, Dr. Norvin Green, of Louisville, and its superintendent, John Van Horn, were elected directors. Both these became well-known names in the Western Union field.

The telegraph lines of the Maritime Provin. ces were among the earliest built. It was in 1848 or '49 that Gisborne, who had been in the Montreal Telegraph employ for a year or two, went to Halifax and built, under Government subvention, a line 125 miles long from that place to Amherst. In 1850 some 45 miles more were built by private parties from Pictou to Truro. It was during the year 1849 that the wires were erected by the agent of the Morse patentees, Mr. Lawson R. Darrow, from Calais. Maine, to St. John, New Brunswick. But he did not find, either in the pinetree State or among the Bluenoses (is this correct?) across the St. Croix, any alacrity in subscribing the triffing \$40,000 deemed needful; and he was helped out, we are told, by the New York Associated Press, who certainly needed, more than anybody else at that time seemed to need, the wire to get their news to and from Halifax, the port of call for the Cunard steamers, to Liverpool. Within a year thereafter, Mr. Darrow got enough money subscribed to build his telegraph line eastward from St. John. Its route was through King's and Westmoreland counties, passing pretty Sussex Vale, skirting the rivers Kennebecasis and the less picturesque Petitcodiac, to Cum. berland Basin, Sackville and Amherst, on the isthmus between Bay Verte and Chignecto Bay, where it met the Nova Scotia lines.

The first president of the Nova Scotia Telegraph Company was Sir Samuel Cunard, and its secretary-treasurer was Hugh Hartshorne. It built lines during 1855 from Pictou to Sydney, Cape Breton, and also from Liverpool to Yarmouth, and from Windsor to Digby. Indeed, it had in 1856 no less than 53 offices and 1,770 miles of line. A. M. MacKay, chief operator at Halifax, appears to have had general charge of the whole lines. The tariff ranged from 121 cents for ten words between points a very few miles apart, and 75 cents for messages of similar length sent to the most remote of its points. But the company did not pay. For a couple of years the shareholders received some return, but no longer, until the American Telegraph Company leased its lines in 1860, and spent tens of thousands of dollars in reconstruction and extension of them. Six years later the lease was renewed to the Western Union Company, which in 1872 purchased the lines.

GROCERY ITEMS.

It has just been decided by a case in court that Owen Sound has no by-law regulating slaughter houses.

The stock of coffee in Havre last week, as reported by cable of the 10th, was as follows:

Last week This week TotalBags. 556,000 559,000. Of which Brazilian..... 212,000 203,000 The World's Fair authorities have appointed Wednesday, August 30tb, as Grocers' Day.

The Bradshaw cheese factory, in Portland township, has been destroyed by fire. About 150 cheese, valued at \$900, were burned.

An unsuccessful attempt has been made by the Montreal wine and spirit merchants to form an association.

The S. S. "City of Kingston" arrived in Montreal from Jamaica, on the 3rd, and brought 12,500 bunches of bananas, which when sold at the ship's side, brought the following prices, according to size:—\$1 3-8; \$1 1-8; 80c, and 50c.

The lobster packers who conduct operations on the south coast of Prince Edward Island are complaining of the shortness of the season, and claim that if an extension of time be not allowed them, the season, so far as they are concerned, will be a disastrous failure.

Perkins, Ince & Co. have just received samples of new Monings, the quality of which is fully equal to, if not better than those of last year.

The Delhi Canning Company are putting in a new corn machine, which, says an exchange, cooks the corn, fills the can, which it caps, and counts it, by once going through, and will do away with at least half a dozen hands.

The total amount of bounty on sugar raid in United States during the fiscal year to June 15, 1893, has been as follows :

On cane sugar\$8	,697,994	73
On beet sugar	531,363	81
On sorghum sugar	19,817	
On maple sugar	60,119	32

At a recent meeting of the New Westminster Board of Trade an important letter was read from Mr. H. C. Beeton, Agent General for British Columbia in London, with reference to a lately invented process by which fish offal may be economically made into guano, used as a fertilizer, and into oil, at a very large profit. The inventor of the process is a Mr. M. Zingler. It is to be hoped that his calculations are correct, for the process will be invaluable to the fish canning industry. The offal, at present, is not only without value, but the disposal of it is a most serious sanitary problem.

The Canadian Packing Company at London, Ont., have made their first shipment, which was consigned to London, Eng., and comprised five carloads of superior bacon.

The wholesale liquor store of R. E. Trumbell, at Virden, has been totally destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at \$18,000, with only partial insurance.

The great run of salmon in Miramichi Bay, New Brunswick, is unprecedented. Since the 20th June up to 4th July, no fewer than 853 boxes of iced salmon were shipped from Chatham railway station alone. These contained 13,648 fish. At an average of ten pounds each the weight would be over 68 tons.

The ship "John E. Sayre," Capt. Rouse, St. John, for Montreal, with 2,200 tons of

sugar, ran ashore on Newfoundland, some days ago, in a dense fog, and will be a total loss.

The steamer "Empress of China," which has just arrived at Vancouver, brings one of the largest cargoes ever taken to the Pacific coast, the greater part of which, it appears, was made up of 1,850,000 pounds (925 tons) of tea.

A Bristol cheese report says :----" The market for new Canadian and American cheese is easier, but the higher prices asked by the factorymen in Canada for the June make has stopped forward buying, buyers on this side not being disposed to follow the advance. The quotations now are :--Fancy pale, September, 58s.; finest do., 56s.; do. new Canadian, 48s.; do. States, 47s."

Letters from Delaware state that there has been no improvement latterly in the condition of the growing tomato orop. Maryland and Jersey accounts were also rather blue-tinted, and such as to indicate that the pack may fall short of early calculations.

A movement is on foot among large New York importers of bananas to introduce the auction system of selling fruit. The sales will be conducted on the dock where the steamer discharges, the selection of one's, two's and three's being made as is now usual, and the fruit sold by the truck load as soon as each one is completed.

Mr. R. Leze, professor of dairying at State School of Agriculture at Grignon, France, is expected in Quebec shortly to study the system of dairying followed in that province, of which he says he has heard most favorable reports.

Exports of dried apples from the United States during May were only 466,237 pounds, against 1,452,206 in the corresponding month last year. During the eleven months ending May 31st the exports were 7,557,019 pounds, against 24,691,987 pounds in the corresponding period last year.

The SS. "Ealing" has arrived in Montreal from Alexandria, Egypt, with a cargo of 23,202 bags of sugar for the St. Lawrence refinery. This is the first occasion on which sugar has been brought from that port, and in consequence the custom authorities are taking samples out of every ten bags.

Latest mail reports indicate that this season's crop of figs in California will be heavy and that some progressive packers will put goods up in Smyrna style.

European buyers are still taking new pack Canadian canned lobster quite freely and paying better prices than have been secured from American buyers thus far.

The sugar crops of the world for the year 1892-93, now drawing to a close, are estimated by Willett & Gray at 6,343,600 tons, showing a deficiency as compared with 1891-92, of 309,-845 tons.

The cranberry orop is to some farmers in the Maritime Provinces a big thing. One man near Annapolis claims that he get: \$250for an acre's production in his cranberry bog. Boston has hitherto been the main market for the berries, but this year Montreal, it is said, will be a big rival.

The first preserving of fish by the new English process, which we have previously mentioned, has been made by the Westminster and Port Haney Freezing Co. Something over 1,000 lbs. were preserved, and shipped from Westminster, B.C., to England. If the salmon arrive there in good condition, the success of the process will be proved.

Messrs. Dan Talmage's Sons & Co., New Orleans, telegraph Louisiana rice crop movement to date: Receipts, rough, 1,778,160 sacks; last year, 951,475 sacks. Sales cleaned (est) 420,393 bbls.; last year, 273,900 bbls. Market dull. Carolina rice crop movement to date: Receipts, cleaned, 65,330 bbls. Sales, 61,580 bbls. Market quiet—fair demand.

FOR DRY GOODS DEALERS.

A Peterboro firm has manufactured something unique in the canvas line for Mr. Smith woodranger. It is a "sleeping bag," and can be used by woodrangers for sleeping out of doors in all kinds of weather. It is made of waterproof covering and lined with rabbit skins. Sheets can be placed on the inside, and the whole body of the sleeper is covered except his head, and a large flap may be buttoned over this if necessary.

The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin has the following to say of our exhibit of cotton fabrics at the World's Fair: "Canada makes an excellent display of cotton goods, as it does of almost everything else at the Fair. In two large cases, each 75 by 20, are the exhibits of the leading cotton manufacturers of the Dominion. They embrace sheetings, shirtings, prints, ginghams, webbing, bindings, tickings, dairy cloths, flannels and nearly every kind of fabric made in this country or Great Britain. The Montreal Cotton Company, whose works are at Valleyfield. show as many kinds of goods as are produced in any establishment in this country or Great Britain, and to all appearance they are of excellent quality."

The Toronto Carpet Manufacturing Co. have their new looms running, and their office is now carpeted with a handsome specimen of the new goods, the first of the kind made in Canada.

Merchants in and around Richibucto, N.B., complain that the district is infested with pedlars. Measures should at once be taken to enforce the law, and each pedlar be required to pay the thirty dollars annual license fee that is required in such cases.

In the United States there are eighty faotories engaged in the manufacture of ingrain carpets. Of these factories sixty-five are in Philadelphia, and the total output of these, for the year 1892, amounted to about thirty million square yards of carpeting, having a value of over twelve million dollars.

Pale gray gloves stitched with black are coming into favor. Biscuit shades, also with black points, may be worn when gray is not permissible.

A piece of alum the size of a hickory nut dissolved in every pint of starch helps to hold the elusive color of ginghams and muslins.

Shot moire antique is used in Paris for dresses trimmed with jet and cream guipure, without which no costume is nowadays complete.

Glass curtains are something new in house furnishings. They consist of a series of little squares of colored glass, each set in a zinc frame, and fastened together by little hooks. The effect when the curtains are closed is like a stained-glass window.

The revival of white stockings is predicted, now that Princess May has included several pairs of white silk open work stockings in her trousseau. A London hosier says he has sold more white stockings during the past few weeks than in the same number of years.

Macdonaid & Co. tell us under date of July

8th, 1893, that the receipts of cotton at St. Louis, from Sept. 1st till July 7th, 1893, were 463,717 bales, compared with 726,449 bales for same time in 1891.92. Shipments for 1892-93 were 470,928, and for 1891-92, 676,646 bales. Receipts of cotton at all United States ports since 1st Sept., 1892, were 4,950,841, and during same time last year 6,999,406 bales.

FOR BOOK SELLERS AND STATIONERS.

The vagaries of stationery are shown in a New York shop in packages of blood red letter and note paper, tied by way of startling contrast with black ribbon.

For twenty years and more, efforts have been made from time to time to get a free public library worthy of the name established in Montreal. And although the great majority of the citizens seem indifferent about the matter there are some who consider the lack of such a library a serious reproach, besides being a great disadvantage to reading people. We now hear that Mr. Henry J. Tiffin, of that city, has donated a valuable collection of books towards the formation of a public library. We mistake the character of Montreal's citizens if many others would not be willing to do likewise, and so form a library which the city authorities would feel bound to take care of.

The following appear to be good rules for keeping books in good order. Children should be early taught how to handle books. The following rules are worthy of careful study, and their observance would in a short time greatly improve the appearance of the books in many households :-

Never hold a book near the fire

Never drop a book upon the floor.

Never turn the leaves with the thamb.

Never lean or rest upon an open book.

Never turn down the corrers of leaves.

Never touch a book with damp or soiled hands.

Always turn the leaves from the top with the middle or forefinger.

Always open large books from the middle, and never from the ends of cover.

Never open a book further than to bring both sides of the cover into the same plane.

Never hold a small book with the thumb pressed into the binding at the lower back, but hold it with the thumb and little finger upon the back.

Never cut the leaves of a book or a magazine with a sharp knife, as the edge is sure to run into the print, nor with the finger, but with a paper cutter or ordinary table knife.

Japanese letter books are making their way into popularity in Canada. Since first they were introduced to this market some months ago, the peonliar sensitiveness of their paper, and consequent adaptability for taking copies of type-written matter, has commended them and they are now asked for by the banks and other large concerns. Messrs. Grand & Toy tell us that they have been able to effect a marked reduction from the original price of these goods, which has assisted to popularize them

People going to Muskoka, or to the mountains, or the seashore, might with more reason go without their watches than without that comfort, a fountain pen. "With one of Paul E. Wirt's fountain pens," says one possessor of this article, "worries inseparable from the absence of decent ink or writable pens in seaside hotels or Muskoka shanties, are done inquiry of the assured as to the cause of the away with. I would not be without mine for a Muskoka farm."

INSURANCE NOTES.

We learn that Mr. Ramsay, of the Standard Life Assurance Company, has appointed Mr. J. Hutton Balfour general superintendent of the Canadian branch of that good old company. Mr. Balfour has been long in the service of the Standard and is recognized as a deserving officer.

"It is to be hoped," says the last issue of the Regina Leader, "there is no truth in the rumor that the town authorities are going to let the water out of the reservoir. If so, the reservoir will not be worth a dam.'

The fire in Virden last week destroyed the grist mill of Koester & Sons, valued at \$10.000. This was a pity, for Manitoba cannot afford to lose her flouring mills in this way.

The Home Insurance Company of New York has this week issued a circular to its agents in the State of Tennessee. We quote : "As the agents of this company hold licenses from the Insurance Commissioner authorizing them to do business in Tennessee during the year 1893, and the company has paid such taxes and fees as under the law exempt the company from further taxation, we have felt that we could properly continue our agencios as heretofore. The recent decision of your Supreme Court, however, that notwithstanding such licenses and the contracts created by them, the company has no rights in the State, and no standing in its courts, puts a different aspect on the matter, and we have decided to discontinue our business in Tennessee at once. You will therefore, please suspend at once, not only the issue of policies, but all acts whatever as agent of the company."

On Monday, 3rd July, the following com panies suspended business in Tennessee : Liv erpool & London & Globe, Home of New York, Ætna of Hartford, Manchester of Lancashire, Westchester and Phenix of Brooklyn.

Insurance men were among the first to respond with contributions for the benefit of the maimed and families of the firemen killed by the burning of the cold storage building at the World's Fair last Monday. Several companies sent cheques to Chief Swenie immediately upon the arrival of the general agents at offices. Among the latter were the Hartford and Phenix, of Brooklyn.

From all appearances, says a special despatch to the N. Y. Commercial Bulletin, dated 11th, yesterday's fire has not caused any general feeling of timidity among underwriters more than has all along been experienced. "The fair buildings have all along been treated as one hazard by most companies, and it is improbable that existing lines will be molested. Had the wind been in a different direction yesterday, however, it is probable that the World's Exposition would have been wiped out. There was no insurance on the buildings, and only scattering amounts on contents."

The Home Insurance Company, of New York, which has a capital of three millions and assets of \$9,116,000, shows a net surplus of \$1.009.548 at the end of the half year, which is rather less than last half, mainly because of depreciation in securities. Considering the state of fire loss in the United States, the Home has done well.

Fire underwriters are again discussing the Boston form of sprinkler clause which pre-vents the insurance company from making inquiry of the assured as to the cause of the failure of his equipment. The clause distinctly states that the "failure of the equipment shall

not vitiate the policy." The assured is, therefore, under no obligation to explain the reason why it did not work properly. Even should the failure to operate be due to the assured's gross carelessness, the company has no redress. -Journal of Commerce.

A STEEL "SPIDER WEB."

Among the many interesting things to be seen on the Midway Pleasance at the World's Fair, Chicago, is the great "merry-go-round" or Ferris wheel, named after its projector. At a distance from the fair grounds it may be seen towering far above the highest building, its diameter being 250 feet. No person having a knowledge of mechanism will hesitate about riding in its cars, when they see the great steel axle of this wheel, an axle thirty two inches in diameter and forty-five feet long. Although the structure has at a distance a spider web appearance, still a careful examination before entering will remove all fear. The writer found the sensation of its motion much less than in the ordinary passenger elevator. Its thirty-six cars are hung on its periphery at equal spaces, each weighing, when filled with forty passengers, over fifteen tons. The distance they travel around is over 800 feet, making six stoppages for passengers. When the cars are filled the wheel makes another revolution without stopping. The fun of riding in this curious conveyance costs fifty cents, and when the receipts equal the expenditure in construction (about \$90,000), we are told that the net earnings are to be equally divided with the Exposition. Six months before the wheel was started on its revolutions its metal was "in the pig." Nearly five thousand persons attended the opening ceremonies, and all were given a ride. One of the features of the opening was the mixture of races, nearly every country contributing. The Laplander, South Sea Islander and Chinaman, the Arabian and Norwegian, the French peasant and the Algerian, gave variety to the great crowd.

CANADA AT CHICAGO.

When it was proposed that Canada make an exhibit at the World's Fair, there were some who, for various reasons, made objections. However, such people are now looked for in vain. Although the interest shown by our manufacturers in a Canadian exhibit has not been as general as our resources would warrant, the display made by Canada at Chicago has proved worthy of the country. Canada has received many words of commendation from the American press, which is not always friendly, or even fair to us. But perhaps no account has done us more substantial justice than that which recently appeared in the Chicago Inter-Ocean. Selections taken from that account will undoubtedly be of interest to our readers :

"It would seem," says the Inter-Ocean, "that the entire exhibit had been arranged with an eye single to the purpose of furnishing ocular proof that Canada excels in many lines and equals in all into which she appears as a competitor.

"First, as showing the great diversity of Canadian soil and climate, the horticultural exhibit of Canada is probably entitled to first consideration. Strange as it may appear in the light of the general belief that Canada is an exceedingly bleak, inhospitable country, her display of tropical plants and flowers is, if "Canada's fruit exhibit is also a source of wonder to those who are not well informed on the capabilities of our sister country in this line. In the line of small fruits particularly there is no exhibit in the building which can excel or even equal the exhibit of Canada. Here are currants, gooseberries, raspberries, cherries and strawberries of the finest grade, both in the matter of size and flavor. The fresh, fruit is just beginning to come in now, and this year's crop in all these lines appears to excel even the choice bottled exhibits of former years.

"In this line the Province of Ontario has an unusually fine exhibit. The apple exhibit alone from this province would entitle it to a high rank as a fruit-growing section, even if there were no other fine specimens of fruitgrowing ability on exhibition.

growing ability on exhibition. "When it comes to Canada's cereals more is known in the United States of her wide expanse of territory which seems to be the natural home of all small grains. Here, too, Ontario seems to have carried off the first place in the matter of a general exhibit, for not only has this province an unusually fine exhibit of cereals, but her dairy products also seem as if she has started to carry off all honors in this direction. Not satisfied with having the biggest cheese ever made on exhibition, Canada stepped in for 126 of the 135 prizes to be awarded in this line.

"In the matter of butter Ontario again bobs up into prominence. Her six shorthorn cows, now on a test of butter-making capacity, have so far taken the lead; two of them having on more than one occasion given over fifty pounds of milk in a day, which breaks the record in that line.

"In the mines building Canada also has a fine exhibit of the ores of the precious metals as well as the more generally useful baser metals. In some lines the exhibits are of ores peculiar to that section of country. As an instance, the nickel and platinum ores from the Sudbury mines of Ontario. There is one ingot of nickel in this exhibit weighing 4,500 pounds. Here, too, are fine specimens of asbestos and mica from the Province of Quebec. There is a very fine exhibit of plumbago or graphite, which comes from Buckingham county, near Ottawa. From these deposits comes nearly all the plumbago used by American manufacturers of lead pancils and other articles in which plumbago is used."

Then turning to the West, the Chicago paper says: "A pyramid in the Canadian section of this building shows the amount of gold which has been taken from British Columbia as 551,000 ounces, and, according to Mr. Law, nearly all of this has been taken from placer diggings, little or no attention ever having been paid to the subject of lode mining.

"In this exhibit the Northwest Territory comes in with a fine exhibit of lignite, bituminous and anthracite coals. Specimens of tar taken from the Athabasca river encourage the belief that this section of country also abounds in oil, and some attempts are being Mitchell made to prospect for this useful article." After praising our exhibits in the liberal arts, of agricultural machinery, and of the exhibit in the archæological and anthropological departments, the account concludes: "Altogether the Canadian exhibit is exceptionally brugge.

good in all the departments at the Fair, and will undoubtedly result in attracting many people to this promising country."

CLEARING-HOUSE RETURNS.

The following are the figures of the Canadian clearing-houses for the week ended with Thursday last, compared with those of the previous week :---

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Montreal	\$11,592,879	\$11,355,222
Toronto	6,186,467	8,200,509
Halifax	1,502,529	1,617,297
Hamilton	779,735	878,891

Total clearings.. \$20,061,610 \$22,051,919 Aggregate balances this week, \$2,921,137; last week, \$3,756,759.

-Accounts of the prizes won by Canadians in the cheese competition at Chicago having been incorrectly stated in some minor respects, a resident of Antigonish, Nova Scotia, writes to the Montreal Gazette desiring that justice be done to that county. Mr. Archibald says that the exhibits of Angus Cameron, of Antigonish, and AllanKennedy, of Union Centre, received an award of 96 points and 90 points respectively, while that of Dougald McPhee, of River John, was awarded 92 points. He adds: "They are all young men, natives of this county, who learned the business in my factories since 1888. The cheese exhibited in their names was made by them in my factories. In all I made five entries at the Fair with the above result."

-The subsidized steamers to the West Indies sailing from Halifax having found it unprofitable to call at Guadaloupe, permission has been given by our Government to pass that port. The operation of the new French bounty system has, it seems, so encouraged exportation to the mother country that all the products of that colony now find their way to France. Owing, however, to the demand for Canadian flour at Martinique, the other French seaport on the route, the steamers will continue to call at that island as they have been in the habit of doing.

-At a recent meeting of the Winnipeg Board of Trade the following boards of examiners were elected for the ensuing year: Grain examiners-S. A. McGaw, G. R. Crowe, J. A. Mitchell, S. Nairn and S. Spink. Flour and meal examiners-S. Nairn, R. Muir, S. Spink, C. H. Steel, F. W. Thompson. Hide and leather examiners-E. F. Hutchings, P. Gallagher, H. Tulloch, N. Bawlf and F. Ossenbrugge.

-Two sessions ago the People's Life Insurance Company was incorporated by special Act of the Ontario Legislature. Since the company got fairly into working order it has succeeded in attracting considerable business. In the list of its directorate appear the names of a number of prudent business men, many of whom have been successful in their respective avocations. They are anxious that the plans of the company be fully investigated not only by agents, but by those seeking protection for their families by means of life assurance.

—A possible new development in Canadian trade is suggested in the report that Mr. J. B. Spencer, of Ceylon, has made arrangements with the Bathbun Company, of Deseronto, for a trial shipment of shocks for the construction of tea boxes. The wood now in use is obtained from Japan, but the Douglas fir of British Columbia, the Ceylon man says, is far superior to it.

-A St. John report says that the lumber market there is dull owing to lack of demand in the United States. Some of the mills have closed down and nearly all of them are sawing in small companies.

-A Franco-Russian convention which went into force on Wednesday, provisionally embraces mineral oils from the United States.

-London, England, news of June 24th said: There has come in the last day or two a sense of relief to what is the greatest drouth in memory. The irreparable damage amounts to an international calamity. Even the milk supply of this metropolis has been cut down by a startling percentage this week, and dealers threaten to charge a shilling a quart in a few days. The fields of England, France and Germany are brown instead of green. Hay in England has risen to $\pounds 10$ a ton, an unprecedented feature. On the other hand, all kinds of fresh meat sell at the lowest prices ever known, because the animals are being slaughtered by the wholesale, on account of lack of fodder. The penalty for the latter luxury will come later. Most crops are now beyond saving, and the government will have a difficult problem in dealing with the agricultural distrees of the next few months. The abnormal dryness seems to be healthy.

-It is a true word that was recently said by the Chicago Tribune, that there is altogether too much signing of petitions, recommendations and endorsements nowadays. "If a man's name has any value, he should be careful how he puts it on paper. If he thinks his signature carries any weight, he should refuse to sign if, he does not feel inclined, even if his refusal does displease the applicant. It is better to say 'no' than to say 'yes,' and then try to back out of it."



STOCKS IN MONTREAL.

MONTREAL	July	12th.	1893.

STOCKS.	Highest.	Lowest.	Total.	Bellers.	Buyers.	Average. 1892.	
Montreal	217	214	278	2171	213	22:3	
Ontario			••••	117	•••••••	116	
People's	114		15	120	1143	108	
Molsons	1623	1625	25	165	165	166	
Toronto							
J. Cartier							
Merchants	154	154	4	160	1/0	153	
Commerce	136	136	11	139	134	1414	
Union				100	102	1113	
M. Teleg	142	139	81	1424		144	
Rich. & Ont	601	51	514	59	581	768	
Street Ry	168	164	119	164	160	2291	
Gas	201	196	807	195	1925		
C. Pacific K.R.		130	1275			208	
	743	72	12/5	72	716	90 1	
Land gr'nt b'ds	•••••		•••••	••••	109	108	
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UNION ASSURANCE SOCIETY, A.D. 1714.

The annual meeting of the Union was held in April, 1893, at Winchester House, Old Broad street, London, E. C., on which oc-casion the directors presented to the share-holders their report for the year ending the 31st December, 1892. By this report we learn that the annual income of the society was increased during the year by the sum of $\pounds48,552$ 16s. 11d., bringing it to a total of $\pounds592,452$ 16s. 3d.

The accumulated funds, which amounted at the end of the preceding year to £2,373,418, were swelled to £2,437,230. In the above in-orease is included the sum of £31,162 10s. 2d., being the amount of the profit made on the sale of stock or on the quinquennial revaluation of the life assurance fund.

of the life assurance fund. In the fire department the year had been almost universally an unfavorable one for fire insurance offices, and the Union Assurance Society experienced on its home business an unusual number of claims, which, however, have happened for the most part under risks which would the taken without hesitsting by which would be taken without hesitation by leading offices.

The fire premiums of the year amounted to £262,522 12s. 7d., being nearly four times as large as the corresponding item five years ago. It will readily be understood that such a con-siderable development has necessitated a reorganization, as well of the head office as of the various branches, which, of course, has been attended with considerable expense. These expenses will not, however recur. The firelosses of the year amounted to £176,809 16s., bible in blacks full extincte of all external fire losses of the year amounted to £176,809 16s., which includes a full estimate of all outstand-ing claims. The proportion of the fire claims to the premiums received was 67 per cent. The directors think the heavy losses which have characterised the business of fire insur-ance during the past year were due to excep-tional causes, and they confidently anticipate a profitable result in the future. In the life department the number of new policies issued during the year was 5,410, in-suring the sum of £1,562,810, the new annual premiums payable in respect thereof being £56,322 8s. 2d. The total income for the year derivable from

The total income for the year derivable from premiums and the interest on the life assut-ance fund, etc., amounted to £294,138 5s. 8d., to which has been added the sum of £21,442 1s., being the balance of the profit and loss on the sale and on the quinquennial re-valuation of the society's investments. In the re-valua-tion of the securities the directors have, in almost every instance, taken a value below the market price, and in no single case has the market value been exceeded. Claims and expenses and all charges amounted to $\pounds 248,277$, leaving a balance of $\pounds 67,300$ to be added to life assurance fund.

-Does danger lurk in the soda-water foun--Does uanger turk in the soda-water foun-tain and its "soft drink" concoctions? The Philadelphia *Times* gives some of the ablest physicians of Philadelphia as authority for the assertion that it does, and says: "Who-ever patronizes 'soft drinks' to any extent is likely to come back soon to the durg stores with likely to come back soon to the drug store with a prescription. Hence its great value in stimu-lating trade."

The town council of Edinburgh have acted wisely in resolving to retain in their own acted wisely in resolving to retain in their own hands the electric lighting of the city. They have followed the course set by other Scotch cities, notably Glasgow, Dundee and Aberdeen, and they will have the approval of those who believe in the extension of the socialist or municipalising principle. Electricity is bound to be the most useful and popular lighting agency in the near future, and for a great city to place its interests in this direction in the hands of a company, may well be criticised, says an exchange, as a very short-sighted policy. policy.

-The discussions in the Free Church Assembly at Edinburgh last month were at times rather sultry. Elder Macleod, of Dal-keith, for example, was quite in fighting mood. "I am sorry to differ from Dr. Rainey," said he, "but where my conscience and faithful-ness to my Saviour are concerned I would knock anybody's head off. I condemn the Aot as-as-.." Here the Elder paused, and ex-claimed, "I am trying to get hold of a bad word," at which the assembly reared with laughter. Ultimately the Elder turned the big, big D's which were struggling for utter-ance into "unscriptural, immoral, and Popish."

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MONTREAL MARKETS.

MONTBEAL, July 12th, 1893.

AsHES.—A fair present quotation for first quality pots is \$4.25 to 4.30; seconds, \$3.70 to 3.80; a lot of 30 odd brls. of American pearls sold the other day on p.t., but \$5.75 would be at present obtainable. Receipts continue limited and there are not over 30 pearls and 60 pots in store at the moment.

CEMENTS AND FIREBRICKS.—Cements are still a drug, and hard to move. It is said there are some 11,000 to 12,000 brls. now on the wharves. English brands may be quoted at \$1.95 to 2; Belgian, \$1.87½ to 1.95. Bricks are moving fairly for the season at \$14 to 18 for avdingar, Glopheng \$10 for ordinary, Glenboag \$19.

DAIRY PRODUCTS.-Cheese shows a steady market, with no change in values looked for in the near future. June prices have been satisfactory near nutrie. June prices have been satisfactory to the factorymen, and are ahead of last year. We quote fine to finest colored 9 to $9\frac{1}{2}$ o., white $8\frac{7}{4}$ to $9\frac{1}{2}$ c. per lb. Butter is rather quiet; shippers claim that prices are too high to do business with any profit. Creamery is quoted at 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 21c.; Townships, 18 to 19c.; Western, $15\frac{1}{2}$ to $16\frac{1}{2}$ c. per lb. Eggs are in moderate demand at 11 to $11\frac{1}{2}$ c, per dozen.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS .- Trade in these lines has assumed the ordinary quiet summer phase. Citric and tartaric acids rule firm, especially the former ; glycerine shows some tendency to advance; English cil of peppermint is likely to be affected by the drought that has prevailed there, also lavender, belladonna and henbane,

while in Belgium valerian and chamomile will be affected from the same cause; insect powder will likely be much firmer, as the price of flowers has gone up notably in Trieste; jaborandi scarce and dear. We quote:--Sal soda, \$1.15 to 1.25; bicarb soda, \$2.50 to 2.60; soda ash, per 100 lbs., \$2; bichro-mate of potash, per 100 lbs., \$11.00 to 13.00; borax, refined, 8 to 10c., cream tartar crystals, 20 to 220.; do. ground, 22 to 25c.; tartario acid, crystal, 35 to 380.; do. powder, 40 to 450.; citric acid, 60 to 650.; caustic soda, white, \$2.50 to 2.75; sugar of lead, 10 to 120.; bleaching powder, \$3.00 to 3.25; alum, \$1.75 to 2.00; copperas, per 100 lbs., \$2.75 to 3.00; roll sulphur, \$2.50 to 2.75; sulphate of copper, \$4.25 to 4.75; epsom salts, \$1.40 to 1.60; saltpetre, \$8.50 to 2.50; American quinine, 30 to 350.; German quinine, 30 to 35c.; Howard's quinne, 38 to 420.; opium, \$4.60 to 5.00; morphia, \$2.10 to 2.30; gum arabio, sorts, 35 to 50c.; white, 600c to 855.; carbolic acid crystals, 35 to 450. per lb.; crude 90c. to \$1 per gallon; iodide potassium, \$3.90 to \$4.25 per lb.; iodine, re-sublimed, \$4.75

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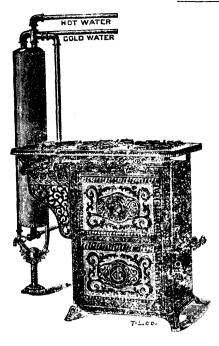
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Day Goods.—Fall orders are now coming in on the whole satisfactorily, according to the reports of several large houses, and travellers' letters are cheerful in tone regarding the crop outlook, and the prospect for trade generally. City retail trade is quieting down with the advancing summer season, as many people leave for the country or watering places. Money comes in but slowly, and July 4th payments, principally for domestic cottons sold 3 months from 1st April, were hardly as well met as last year at same date.

GROCKBIES.—Tea circulars from Yokohama, bearing date June 22nd are to hand, and say that a quiet tone has prevailed in the market since former advices; with, however, a general well sustained buying. Second crop teas are beginning to make their appearance, and show fair average quality thus far. The settlements at Yokohama and Hiogo to date were 193,100 piculs, as against 204,478 for the same date in 1892, and 234,880 piculs in 1891. Locally there is only a moderate movement at steady prices. Sugars are absolutely without change. A large cargo of raw has just arrived for the Redpath refinery, and the second cargo for the season has been reported lost in the gulf. Barbadoes molasses is steady at 33c. per gal. in carlots; puncheons, 34c., according to the card. The crop is finished on the island, and the bulk of the supply has been received here, but two or three small cargoes are yet to come. There has not been the amount of speculation in this article that has marked some former years. Good flavored syrups are in fair request at 1[§] to 2c. per lb. In other lines we find nothing new to write about.

Hides.—The price of lambskins is now up to 35 to 40c. each, and of clips 30c. A good many country hides are coming in, and receipts of city green hides were larger than usual last week, due to the extra slaughtering to provide

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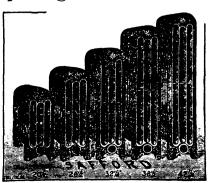
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for the Christian Endeavorers' Convention, but prices stand at the old figure, namely, 5 to 54c. per lb. for No 1. Tanners are not buying any more freely. Rough tallow is being bought at 4c. per lb., largely for the making of butterine.

LEATHER.--- No movement of consequence can be noted in leather. Stocks are in good shape, and prices steady considering the dullness. From England there is no note of improvement in the situation there, and there is really nothing

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METALS AND HARDWARE.—A fair, steady busi-ness is being done in Canada and tin plates, and some moderate jobbing in bars, but in pig iron it takes considerable effort, and some concessions, to effect sales. Summerlee, it is said, has been offered at \$17.90 in lots, or even lower for net cash. We make the quotation for No. 1 Siemens, \$17.75, while for a fair order probably something better could be done. We hear of a moderate transaction in



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tank iron at \$1.65, which confirms our quotation. Kidston's Glasgow circular, under date June 28th, speaks of a little better tone to the market, and some show of silver lining to the market, and some show of silver lining to the cloud of dep ession so long prevailing in the iron market; it also speaks of some large orders from the east. In the United States the market for iron is much de-pressed, and not only are many furnaces closing down, but in many mines are opera-tions being much carteiled. We carte: the market for iron is much depressed, and not only are many furnaces closing down, but in many mines are operations being much curtailed. We quote:--Coltness pig iron, \$19; Calder, No. 1, \$18.50; Calder, No. 3, \$17.50; Summerlee, \$18.25; Eglinton, \$17.50; Gartsherrie; \$18.50; Langloan, \$20; Carnbree, \$17; Shotts. \$18.50 to \$19; Middlesboro, No.3, \$16.75; Siemens' pig No. 1, \$17.75; Ferrona, \$17.75 to \$18; machinery scrap, \$14 to 15; common do., \$8 to \$11; bar iron, \$1.95 for Canadian; car lots, \$1.90; British, \$2.25; best refined, \$2.40; Low Moor, \$5.25; Canada Plates-Blaina, or Garth, \$2.45 to \$2.50; all polished Canadas, \$3; Terne roofing plate, 20 x 28, \$7.00. Merohants' roofing, 14 x 20, \$13.50. Black sheet jiron No. 28, \$2.60; No. 26, \$2.50; No. 24, \$2.40; tin plates-Bradley charceal, \$6.00; charcoal I. C., \$3.75 to 4; P.D. Crown, \$4.25; do I.X., \$4.75 to 5; coke I. C., \$3.20 to 3.30; ooke wasters, \$3 to 3.10; galvanized sheets, No. 28, ordinary brands, 42 to 5c.; Morewood, 6 to 61c.; tinned sheets, coke, No. 24, 6 to 62c.; No. 26, \$2.50 to \$2.00; blacs, \$2.35. Common sheet iron, \$2.30 to 2.40 according to gauge; steel boiler plate, \$2.25 to \$2.75; common tank iron, \$1.65 to \$1.85; heads, \$3.15 to 3.25; Russian sheet iron, 104 to 11c.; lead per 100 lbs., pig, \$2.90 to 3.00; sheet, \$4 to 4.25; shot, \$6 to 6.50; best cast steel, 104 to 12c.; spring, \$2.50; tire, \$2.50; spelter, \$4.75 to 5.00; American do, \$4.75 to 5.00. Antimony 104 to 12c.; brightiron wires Nos. 0 to 8, \$2.65 per 100 lbs.; annealed do., \$2.77; sleigh shoe, \$2.40; to 2240; cond machinery steel, \$3; ingot tin, 22 to 2240; cond machinery steel, \$3.75; not \$1.92; fin, 34 to 4c.; § in., 40.; § in., 34.5; jin., and upwards, 30. upwards, 3c.

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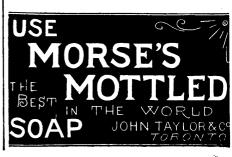
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WOOL.-Prices are not altogether satisfac-tory. The London sales, which opened weak,

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have gained a little in firmness, but owing to the monetary disturbances across the border, there have been offerings of foreign wool in this market by Americans. Manufacturers this market by Americans. Manufacturers have been light buyers during the last month, but have been looking around a little lately, and a few fair sales of Cape are reported for last week at from 14 to 15¢c.; Australian scoured, 28 to 31c.; B. A. ditto, 28 to 34c. Stocks are light, and there is no Australian or Natal available. Domestic fleece is being bought in the country at 10c in the grass; bought in the country at 10c. in the grease; washed, 17¹/₄ to 20c. per pound.

TORONTO MARKETS.

TOBONTO, 13th July, 1893.

DRUGS.—Business is now on the quiet side; values however remain, for the most part, unchanged on the local market. Reports from the New York market give the trade in opium as at a standstill, while quinine is in much the same state; but ergot, American saffron and vanilla beans are firm. Nitrate of silver is somewhat reduced in price. The sale of Paris green, at least so far as first orders are con-corned, is now about over. Money is coming in but moderately well.

DRY GOODS.—Business is seasonably good. As is usual at this time of the year, orders for As is usual at this time of the year, orders for summer goods are coming in more slowly, and being merely of a sorting description excite little interest. The attention of the trade is now placed upon the fall orders; travellers, however, do not send in very encouraging reports, at least for present business, and the retail men are placing their orders very cau-tiously. Payments are being met none too promotiv tiously. I promptly.

promptly. FLOUE AND MEAL.—A dull market in flour must again be reported this week; we can see no change in the situation, either in quota-tions or in feeling. Meals, too, remain without interesting features and show seasonable quietness. Mill feed, however, continues to be on the active side; shorts find good enquiry from the Maritime Provinces and a fair movement is reported; although stocks are somewhat limited, \$14 to 14.50 per ton may be taken as a fair quotation. taken as a fair quotation.

FRUIT.—The strawberry orop is now pretty well over, and the wholesale men have ceased to re-ship; quotations vary from day to day. The receipts of raspberries are now increasing, and lower prices rule; they have sold as low as 8c. per box. Tomatoes are a trifle easier, at \$1.30 to 1.40 per crate. The eating variety of obserries is pretty well marketed, while cookat \$1.30 to 1.40 per crate. The eating variety of cherries is pretty well marketed, while cook-ing supplies are beginning to come in, and are now quoted at 85c. to \$1 per 12-qt. basket. Watermelons are arriving quite freely, and bring from 22 to 25c. each. Gooseberries and black currants are on the market, but the stock, as yet, is not very good. Red currants are selling at 60c. to \$1 per basket, according to quality. to quality.

GRAIN .--- An unchanged market in wheat is reported ; transactions are very limited, and for the most part the movement is merely to for the most part the movement is merely to millers; in comparison with last week, quota-tions are unchanged. Oats are firm, both the export and local demand being good; some rather large sales in white, at 36 to 37c. at outside points, have taken place; 39 to 40c. per bush. is the ruling quotation here. Peas, too, show a strong market, with sales in Mon-treal for export at 75c., *i.e.*, for a bushel of 66 lbs. There are reported enquiries for barley.

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Copies of this by law and the conditions under which tenders are to be submitted, together with all necessary information, may be had on applica-tion by letter to the undersigned.

JAMES WHITE, County Cler .

Woodstock, Ont., 16th June, '93.

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but we hear of no transactions. The Mark Lane Express of July 11th, in its weekly review of the British grain trade, says: "The harvest began on Thursday on the southern slope and is now in progress in Sussex. It will commence on the 17th inst. in parts of Kent, and Essex, and Hampshire. On the best lands a crop of good quality, condition and weight is expected, but the plant is too thin in the ground for a big yield. It is ex-pected that the yield generally will be 15 per cent. under the average. The average price of English wheat is still a long way on the wrong side of 30s. There is a prospect of a short crop in the north, but this has not exerted any appreciable influence on the market." appreciable influence on the market.'

STOCKS IN STORE.

The quantities of grain in store at Toronto, for the week ending July 10th, and at a similar date last year, were as follows :-

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Flour	, bbls .			. nil	ni
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Sprin	g "	**		35,099	37.739
Hard	"	**			9.000
Goose	"	"		*	7.800
Oats,		**			15,330
Barley	7.	**			37.869
Peas,	•	**			360
Rye,		**			ni
Corn,		"	•••••		ni
Tota	al grain			223,395	139.602

GROCERIES .- Trade is good. Stocks of cur-GROCERIES.—ITAGE IS good. Stocks of cur-rants are just a little scarce here; prices are unchanged. Figs, too, follow the same tend-ency, and of natural figs in 50 lb begs the market is almost bare. The market in sugars shows but little change; in comparison with last week, however, orders have been more numerous, the situation in raws and refined is regarded as a strong one. Canned goods re-main in much the position as reported last week ; tomatoes, however, have gained a little additional strength, and many dealers hold that little if any old stock will be carried over. Corn is scarce and the market firm. Orders Corn is scarce and the market firm. Orders for salmon on future delivery are now being placed at from \$1.30 to 1.40, a shade better for buyers than at this time last year. Coffees are firm but without special features. Teas are moving just fairly well, the chief interest centering in the movement of the new crop. concerning in the movement of the new crop. Concerning this movement the San Francisco Bulletin says :—" The 'St. Katherine' left Yokohama ten days ago for Vancouver, with a full cargo of new crop teas. Three other ships have been engaged to follow with similar cargoes for the same port. All this tea is de signed for the Atlantic States and Canada and will go over the Canadian Pacific Railway. We learn that the North Pacific Railway Co. is not to be outdone in the matter of getting





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tea under sail by the Canadian Pacific people. A bigger ship than any on the other line has just been secured for the service. This is the 'Clarence S. Bement,' 1,900 tons register."

HARD Woods.—Perhaps no Canadian market has been affected by the silver crisis on the other side to a greater extent than has the lumber interests. For in so far as the United States is concerned, there is practically a ces-sation of business. Holders, however, prefer to do no business rather than sell at lower to do no business rather than sell at lower figures, and so our quotations have changed but little. Stocks of red oak, however, are rather limited and prices have advanced. We quote 1 in. to 1½ in. at \$28 to \$30, and 2 in. to 4 in. at \$26 to \$32. The feeling in basswood is a firm one; it would appear that during the winter there was a run on the green lumber, and so the dry stock is now scarce and in gord demand. Maple and birch of a 1 in. cut tends to extreme quietness; stocks are rather large and they are almost a drug on the market. Other stocks, while too excessive for the local market, are no more than will meet the de-mand when once the silver problem is solved mand when once the silver problem is solved.

HIDES AND SKINS .- There is a very moderate demand for hides; prices, however, are steady demand for hides; prices, however, are steady at the recent decline, which placed green at 40. and steers at 44c. per lb. Calfskins find but little enquiry from the United States, and prices have receded somewhat, quotations being lower by lo. per lb. We quote: green, 5c. to 7c.; cured, 7 to 8c.; at these figures a fair movement is taking place. Lambskins continue to advance, and at 45c. each they are worth 5c. more than last week. Shearlings are quoted at 25c. each. Tallow is weak, the demand being light and quotations unchanged.

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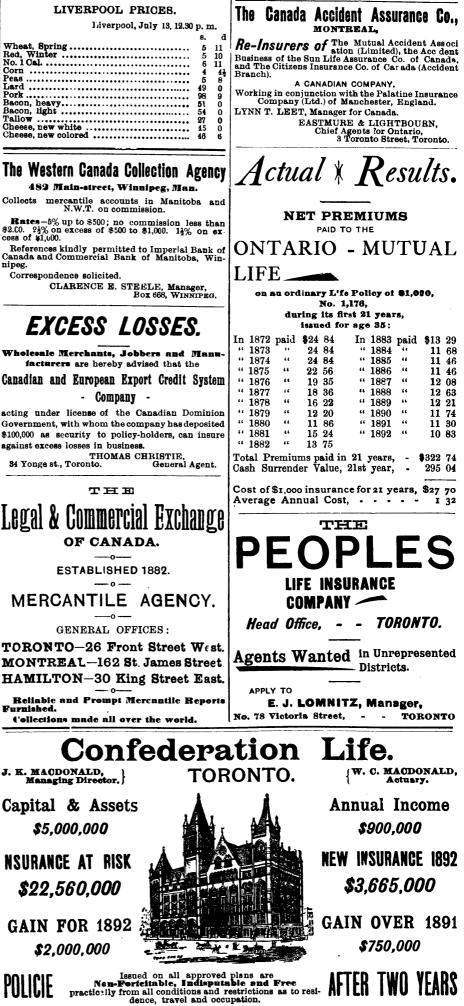
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LEATHER .--- We have found the wholesale houses a little more active this week. The shoe manufacturers are beginning to cut, and, as a consequence, a moderate movement is taking place. We hear of several shipments of sole leather to England. Many of the houses report harness leather as on the quiet side. There are no changes in values to report. The financial side of trade remains without special features.

PROVISIONS .--- Most of the houses dealing in provisions are, we believe, doing a fair season's trade. Butter has been freely taken, however; it finds a good steady demand and quotations have not declined. Cheese is just a little quiet, but the market is steady at $9\frac{1}{2}$ to 10c. per lb. The movement of dried and evapor-ated apples is almost *nil*. There is a moderate

trade doing in hops of the finest qualities, at 17 to 18c. ; old, however, appear to be neglected. Hog products are in seasonable demand. Eggs are quoted at 11₂c. per dozen, 12c. being paid for ohoice stock; the picklers are now through and the feeling on the market is just a shade weaker.

WOOL.-In fleece, some few round lots of wool.—In neece, some few round lots of combing are changing hands on a basis of from 17 to 18c.; but the market shows little animation, as the views of holders and buyers continue to be somewhat apart. There is an indifferent movement in pulled and foreign wools. All values remain unchanged.



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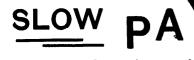
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INSURANCE REGULATION AND SUPERVISION.

We have read with much interest the very admirable paper concerning the regulation and supervision of insurance, by H. R. Hayden, editor of The Weekly Underwriter. The proposition which appears to have been suggested to him related to the "effects of governmental regulation and supervision and reforms, if any, which should be recommended thereon." The review is one of the best which has yet appeared upon this subject. It gives the conclusions which have been reached by one of the clearest headed and most conscientious observers in the business. He had for years op-posed State supervision in its present form. He shows that the effects of the system as ad-ministered in the past have hardly been other than beneficial, and that the system has by no means realized the expectation of its friends and advocates. On the other hand, that it has been a source from which has arisen many evils. He The first He points out some measures of relief. The first is that the office of Insurance Superintendent or Commissioner should not be made the reward of party sucoess, "as no neophyte who comes in on the last of a popular majority can have such hold of the technicalities of the business as will fit him for the position." Mr. Hayden suggest. him for the position." Mr. Hayden suggest-ively remarks in this connection that the Insurance Departments which have been best administered have been those whose incumb-ency has been nearest permanent. He thinks the insurance laws should be simplified and should be revised by men who have some technical knowledge of the business. An effort should be made to make the laws of the enort should be made to make the laws of the several States more uniform; the statutes which relate to taxation ought to be revised; the laws for the admission of companies should be greatly liberalized or utterly abandoned, and the reserve ought to be put on a common-sense basis or else the requirements of a reserve should be abandoned. A few words which he has used concerning national supervision are very suggestive, so much so that we cannot forbear from quoting them here :

"One remedy has been persistently urged and finds favor, perhaps I should say used to find favor, with many underwriters. It is the one which first suggests itself to the man weary It is the one and sick and a little disgusted with the exac-tions of State laws, but whose habits of thought all run still in the grooves of super-vision, and that is to nationalize supervision; to substitute for State control and regulation national control and regulation. There are, in the construction of our government, what seem to most of us insurmountable obstacles to such a transfer of authority, and which leads us rather to seek reform in other direc-One central or national supervision tions tions. One central or national supervision would dispose of the evils from conflicting laws and rulings. It would bring us uni-formity in many ways, but, as it appears to me, at the expense of some things that are more precious than uniformity. If we sur-render as States the control of insurance conporations, what reason can we urge for not surrendering all the distinctive powers which makes this a government of States rather than a centralized government? The subject is too large a one for elaboration here, and I mention it as one of the many suggestions of reform which have been widely discussed.' U.S. Review.

GREAT FAIRS OF THE WORLD.

The first great international exhibition was held at London in 1851. It lasted 144 days; the buildings and grounds covered twenty-one acres; there were 17,000 exhibitors and 6,039,-195 visitors -41,933 daily. The receipts were \$2,530,000 and the expenses \$1,460,000.

In 1855 the second world's fair was held at It continued for 200 days and covered Paris. twenty-four and one-half acres. There wer 21,779 exhibitors and 5,162,330 visitors-There were 21.779 25,811 a day. The cost is conjecturally stated at \$1,700,000; the receipts were \$1,280,000. The third exposition was held in London in

1862. It covered twenty three and one-half acres of ground. There were 28,653 exhibitors and 6,211,103 visitors, a daily average of

daily. The cost was \$4,000,000 ; the receipts were \$2,100,000. The space covered was The space covered was thirty-seven acres.

In Vienna in 1873 was held the fifth great world's fair. The buildings covered forty acres, and were occupied by 42,000 exhibitors. There were 7,254,687 admissions during 186 days, an average of 39,003 per day. The cost s \$11,000,000 and the receipts were \$1,030,wa 000.

The Philadelphia Exposition of 1876 was ne sixth great display. The buildings covered the sixth great display. The buildings covered sixty acres; there were 60,000 exhibitors and 9,910,996 admissions, a daily average of 62,323. The cost is stated at \$8,500,000; the receipts are said to have been \$3,800,000.

The scene of the seventh international fair was Paris in 1878. The building covered sixty acres and the exhibitors numbered 32,000. There were 13,000,000 admissions during 194 days, a daily average of 67,010. The official report makes no mention of cost or expenses, though it is believed the enterprise did not

It was also in Paris that the eighth fair was held in 1889. The buildings covered seventy-five acres and were occupied by 60,000 exhibitors. The exposition remained open 183 days and was attended by the astounding number of 32,354,111, a daily average of 181,170. The cost was \$11,000,000; the receipts were \$8,-

cost was values. 380,000. The World's Columbian Exposition opened in Chicago, U.S., on the 1st May, 1893, and is to continue open six months. It celebrates the discovery of America by Columbus 400 years ago. The area covered by buildings, as will be seen when we mention the total extent of them, is more than threefold greater than any former show, viz., two hundred and sixty acres. This includes State buildings, etc., but not any of the structures on the Midway Pleasance

GROWTH OF THE LAKE MARINE.

The capacity of the grain-carrying and ore-carrying steam vessels of the lakes is considerably larger this season than last. And it was considered likely to be needed. An unusual amount of freight had accumulated at Chicago awaiting transportation. At the same time it is probable, in the opinion of the Chicago Post, that the carrying capacity of the vessels engaged in the lake trade will be quite equal to the demands made upon it. There will be at the disposal of lake shippers nearly 75,000 tons carrying capacity more than they had last vear.

On January 1st, 1893, says the journal named, there were under construction in the shipyards around the lakes fifty one vessels, all of which were designed for the lake carry-The average carrying capacity for ing trade. each was 2,000 tons, making a total addition to the carrying capacity of 102,000 tons. From this, however, has to be deducted 28,708 tons, which, owing to shipwreck, fire, or other causes, were withdrawn from service, and have passed out of existence, leaving a nett increase to last year's tonnage of 73,292 tons. Nearly all these new vessels were iron or steel, wooden vessels having now been discarded almost en-tirely on the lakes. The estimated cost of their construction was \$6,900,000. The value of the tonnage that passed out of existence was \$1,014,250.

"The total carrying capacity of the lake marine cannot now be much short of 1,400,000 tons. The last official returns, June 30, 1891, show that at that time there were 1,592 steam vessels employed on the lakes, of an aggregate capacity of 736,751 tons, and 2,008 sailing and making a total of 1,154,870 tons. The value of the lake marine was then estimated at \$70, 000,000. For the five years ending June 30th, 1891, the tonnage had increased 37.24 per cent., and the value 86.47 per cent."

WINE STATISTICS.

The statistics of the clearances of wines and imported spirits from bond during the last month show a considerable decrease. Each of the six descriptions of wine have participated in the decrease, with the exception of French white wines, which show an in-crease of 38,043 gallons; the increase for the and 6,211,103 visitors, a gaily average of ticipated in the decrease, which the categorial 36,325 during the 171 days it continued. It of French white wines, which show an increase of 38,043 gallons; the increase for the continued 217 days. The exhibitors numbered tinued 217 days. The exhibitors numbered 50,536 and the visitors 10,200,000-47,470 and Spirit Trade Circular, "is due to firms on

this side taking delivery of 1889's admits of little doubt, and goes in a measure to show that what business has been done of late has been to a great extent in champagnes. The wines of the vintage referred to continue to meet with the approval not only of the trade, but of the consumer, and therefore when other articles have been slack merchants have been able to secure reserve orders for this par-ticular description." French red wines have meanwhile lost ground again apparently, the May figures showing a falling-off of 37,757 gallons, but there is still an increase of 21,994 gallons for the year. Port shows a decrease for May of 35,350 gallons, and an increase for sale, however, probably swelled last year's laying-down figures to the disadvantage of this year. Spanish red and white wines show further decreases, the falling off for the year being 27,810 gallons in the case of the former, and 37,416 gallons for the latter. Wines from other countries than France, Spain, and Portugal show a falling-off to the extent of 30,500 gallons for the month, but there is still a gain of 14,970 gallons for the year. In the case of foreign and colonial spirits the falling. off is 66,140 gallons for the month and 333,459 gallons for the expired five months of the year, which is entirely due to a diminished demand for rum.

A TRADE SECRET.

The father of the famous Sir Robert Peel was a cotton spinner in a comparatively small way, until all of a sudden he went straight abead of his competitors. The earliest cotton spinning machinery gave serious trouble through filaments of cotton adhering to the bobbins or tapes which were then the leading features of the looms. Frequent stoppages were involved in this, wheels and other parts of the machinery having to be cleared at frequent intervals. The wages of the operatives were affected by these stoppages; but it was noticed that one man in the works always drew his full pay. His loom never stopped. He was at work while others were in enforced idleness. Mr. Peel noticed this, and watched The man's name was Ferguson. He him. could neither read nor write.

"The overlooker tells me your bobbins are

"The overlooker tents me your bootins are always clean," said Mr. Peel. "Ay, they be," said Dick. "How do you manage it, Dick?" "Why, you see, Mester Peel, it's a sort of secret; if I towd yo, yo'd be as wise as I am." "That's so," said Peel, smiling in response to Dick bacering abueble

to Dick's knowing chuckle. "I'd give you something to know. Could you make all the looms work as smoothly as yours ? "

"Ivvery one on 'em, mester," said Dick. "Well, what shall I give you for your se-cret, Dick?"

The man smiled and rubbed his chin and after a little delay replied : "Come, I'll tell thee. Gi' me a quart o' ale ivvery day as I'm in the mills, and I'll tell thee all about it."

"Well, then," said said Dick, beckoning Mr. Peel to come close and let him whisper in his ear, "chalk your bobbins." And that was the great secret.

The workman had been in the habit of furtively chalking his bobbins. Peel at once patented "chalking" machinery, and made a fortune. It is only right to say that he gave Dick Ferquarts of beer a day than Dick could either drink of treat his friends with.

--A meeting of the bondholders of the Mani-toba & North-Western Railway Co. was held in London, Eng., on the 14th ult. The object of the meeting, no doubt, was to consider the company's position, it being in default of the interest due upon its bonds on the 1st inst., and to hear a report from Mr. Wragge, who and to near a report from Mr. Wragge, who had been asked to fully investigate the position of the road. In his report he urged the com-pany to obtain more settlers before pushing the completion of the line to Prince Albert, as originally intended. Mr. H. M. Allan, who had been appointed by the court receiver of the road, stated that the receipts had not been sufficient to meet the interest on the bonds, but that now the line was about holding its own. He also stated that the floating debt was about $\pounds 12,000$, and that his claim was nearly $\pounds 200,000$.



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